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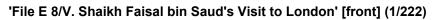
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About this record

This file contains correspondence between British officials at Bahrain, Bushire, Baghdad, Kuwait, the India Office and the Government of India, as well as with 'Abd al-'Azīz bin 'Abd al-Raḥmān bin Fayṣal Āl Sa'ūd (Ibn Sa'ūd) and his son, Fayṣal bin 'Abd al-'Azīz Āl Sa'ūd. These correspondence concern the 1919 mission of Fayṣal and Ahmad al-Jābir Āl Sabāh, the son of Shaikh Jābir al-Mubārak Āl Sabāh to London.

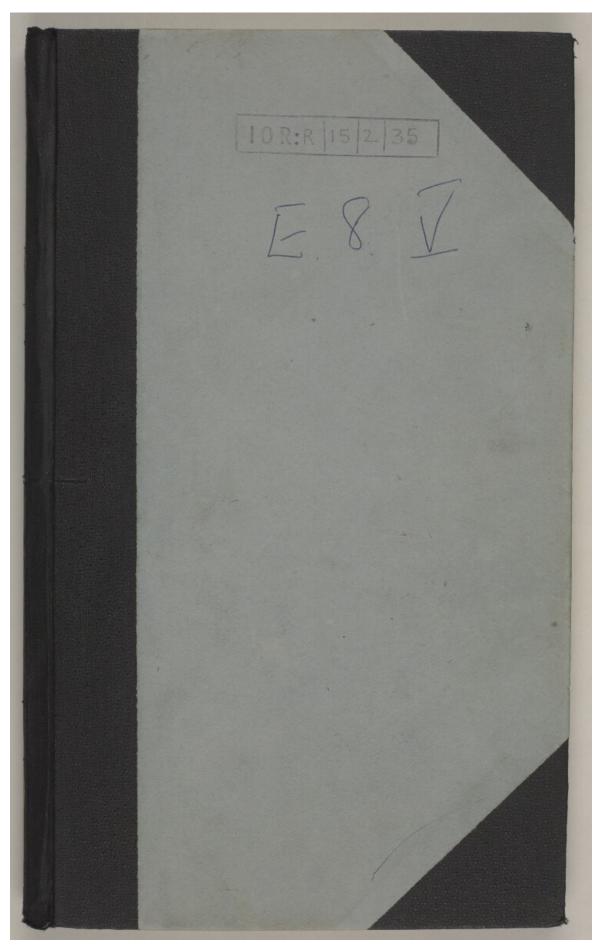
Included within the file are details concerning the invitation of Ibn Saʻūd to send 'a mission of [his] sons to London' dated 14 May 1919 (folios 4-5) and his response dated 16 June 1919 (folios 8-9); telegrams and letters making arrangements for Fayşal's trip and his entourage, including Aḥmad al-Thāniyān and 'Abdullāh al-Quṣaybī (folio 53); their departure for Karachi on the RIMS *Lawrence* on 6 September 1929 (folio 55-56); letters informing Ibn Saʻūd of the progress of the trip via Bombay and Port Said; and their arrival in London 13 October 1919 (folio 69).

Also included are details of the reception of the mission by the King George V and Queen Mary (folio 71); various correspondence with Ibn Sa'ūd concerning the progress of the trip; their eventual return via Bombay and Bahrain, arriving 9 February 1920; 'Notes of a conversation between The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and the Arab Mission representing the Emir Ibn Saud' dated 26 November 1919 (folios 89-93); and a letter of thanks from Fayşal (folio 98).



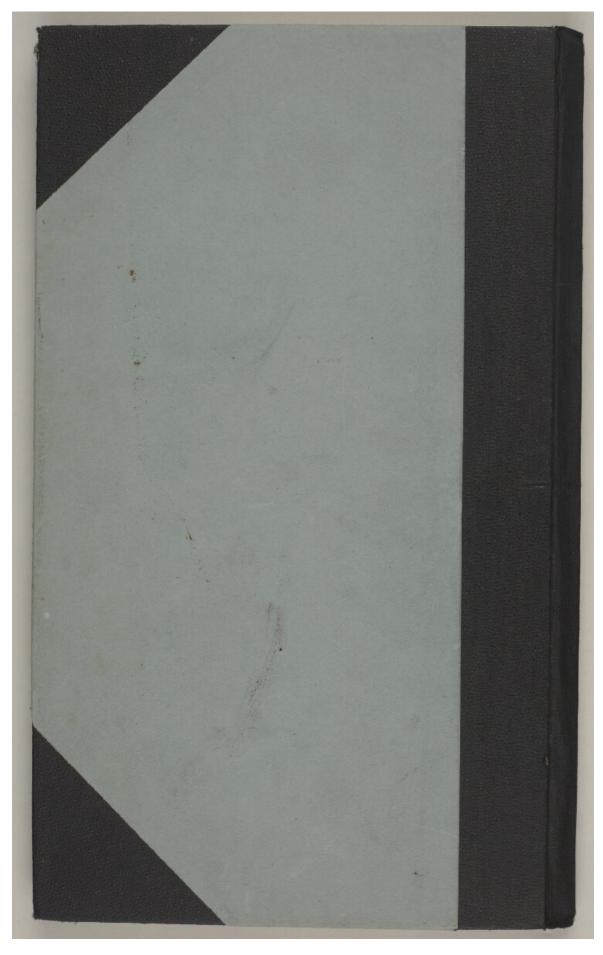


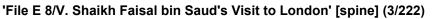
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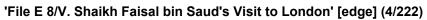






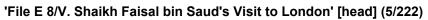






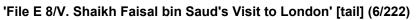










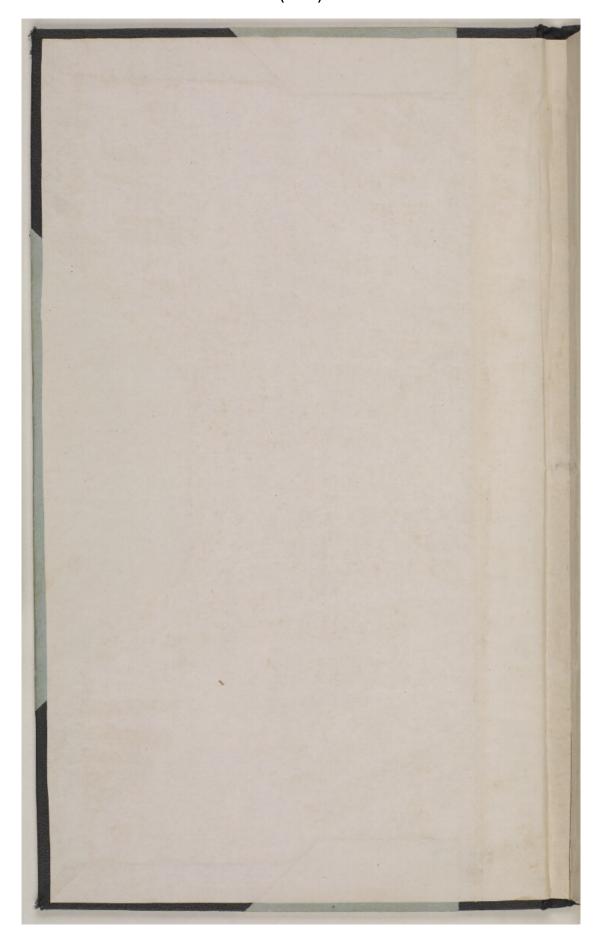








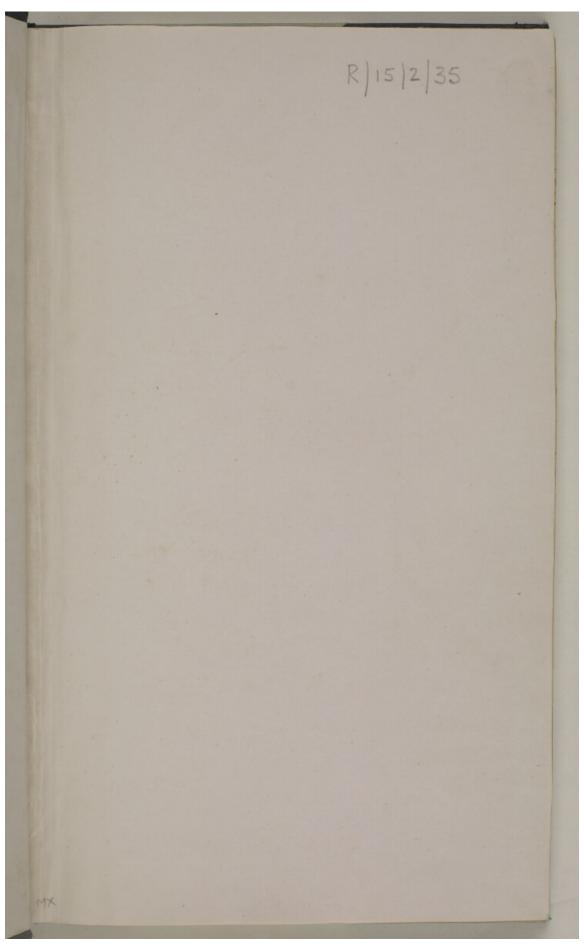
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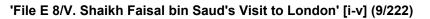




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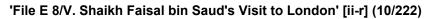
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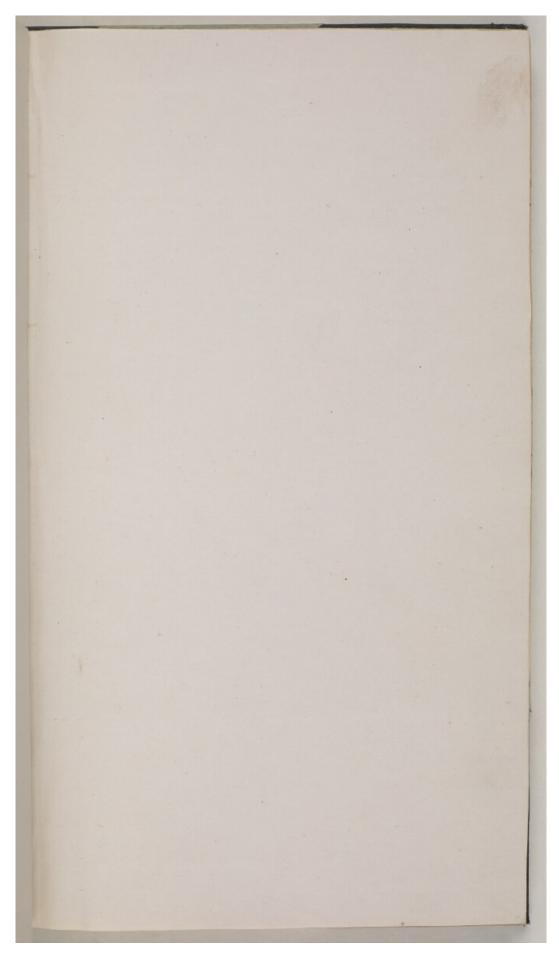


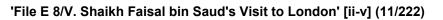










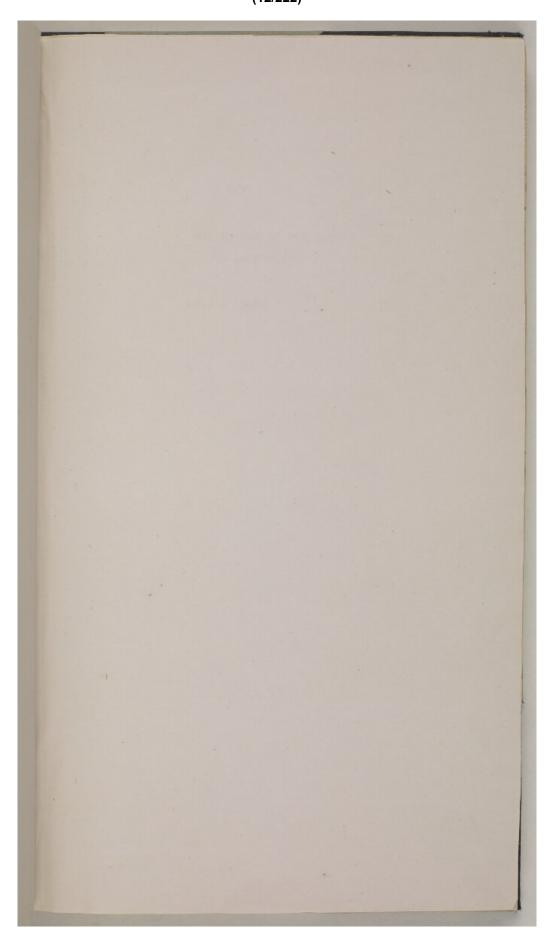


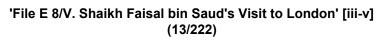




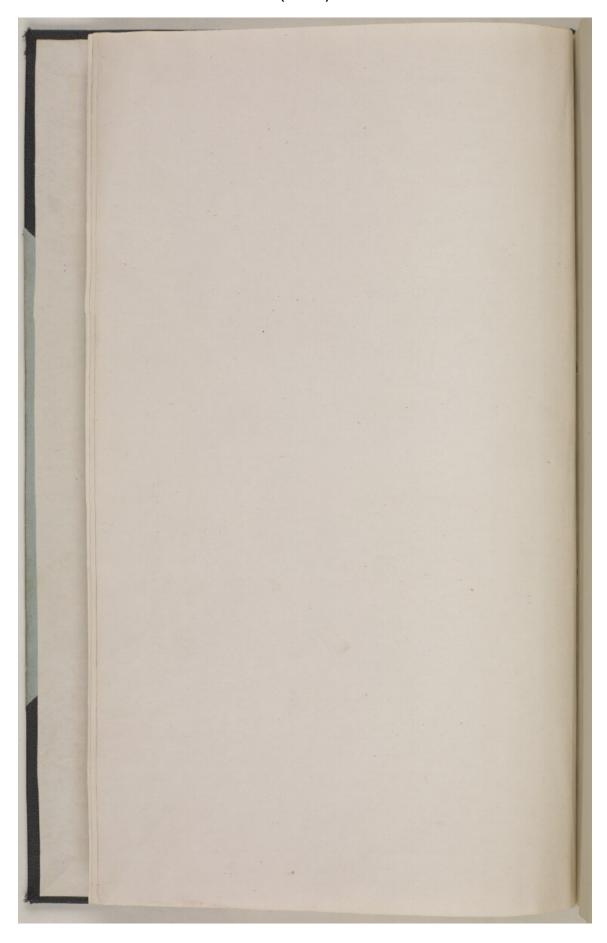


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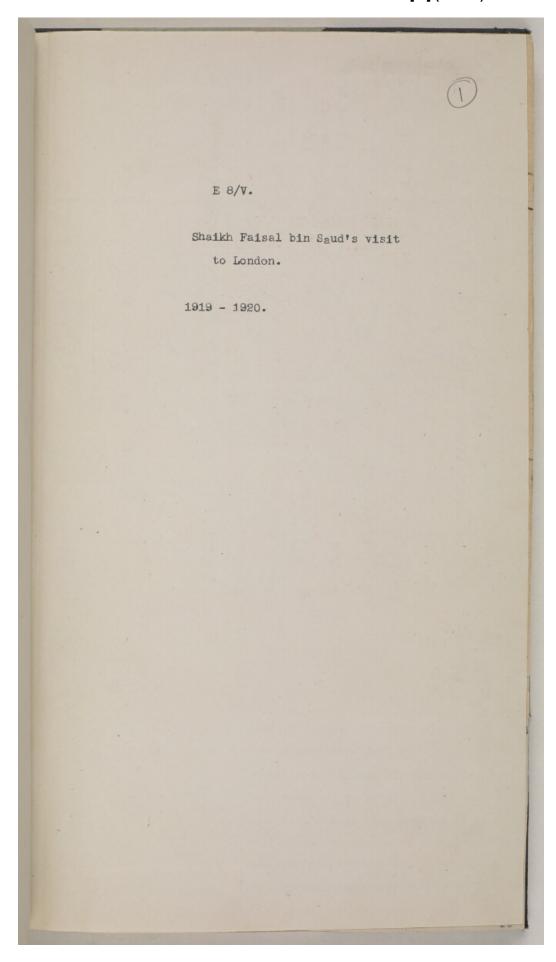


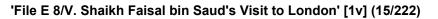




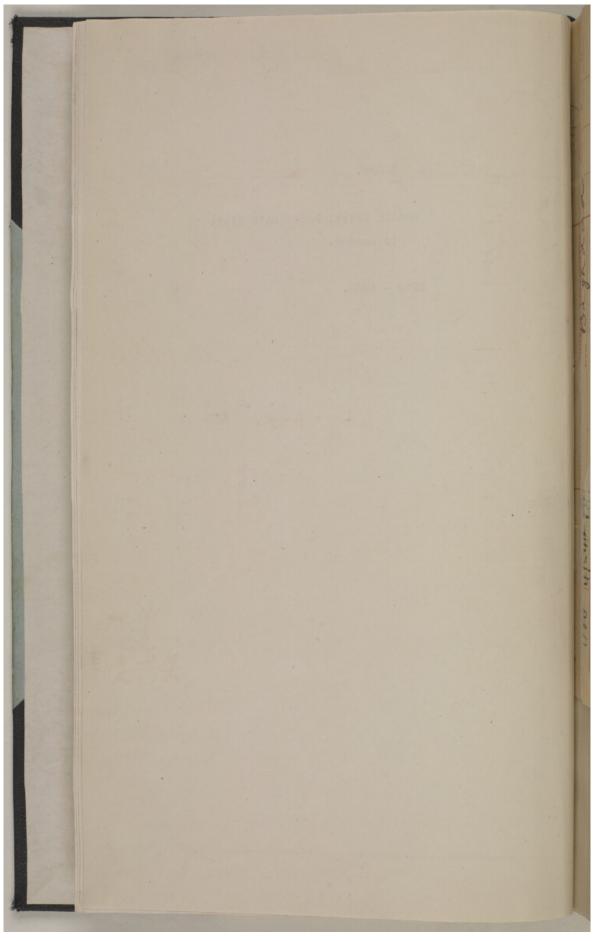












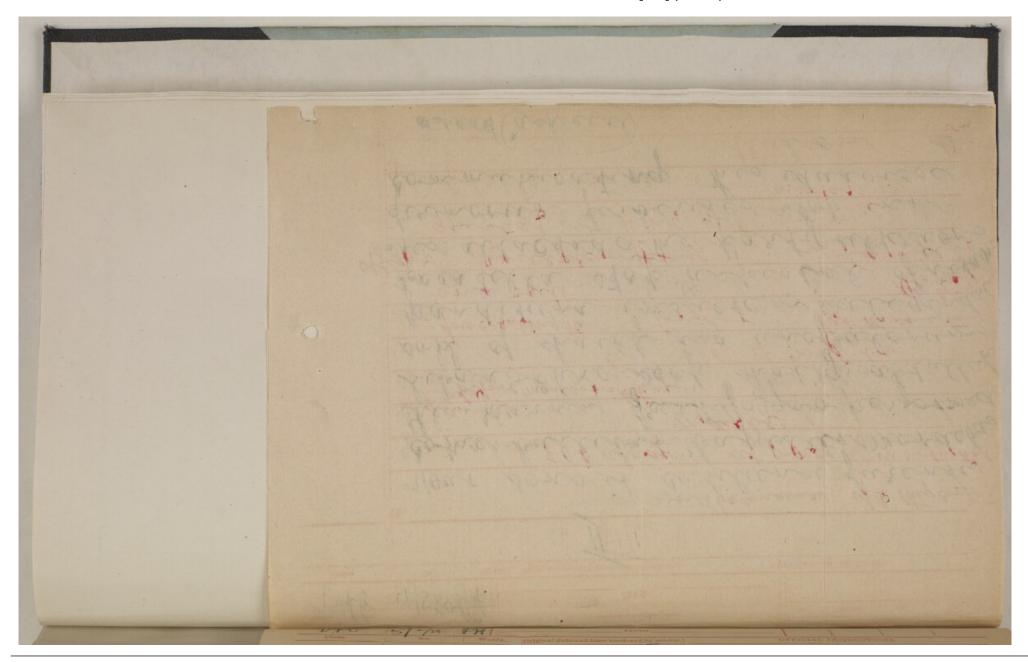


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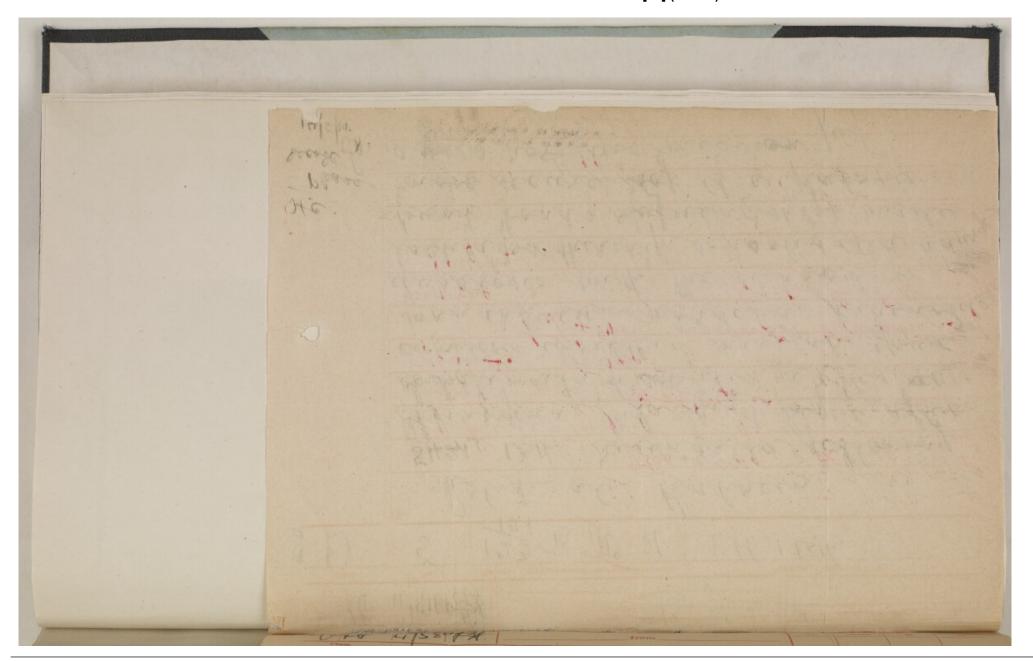


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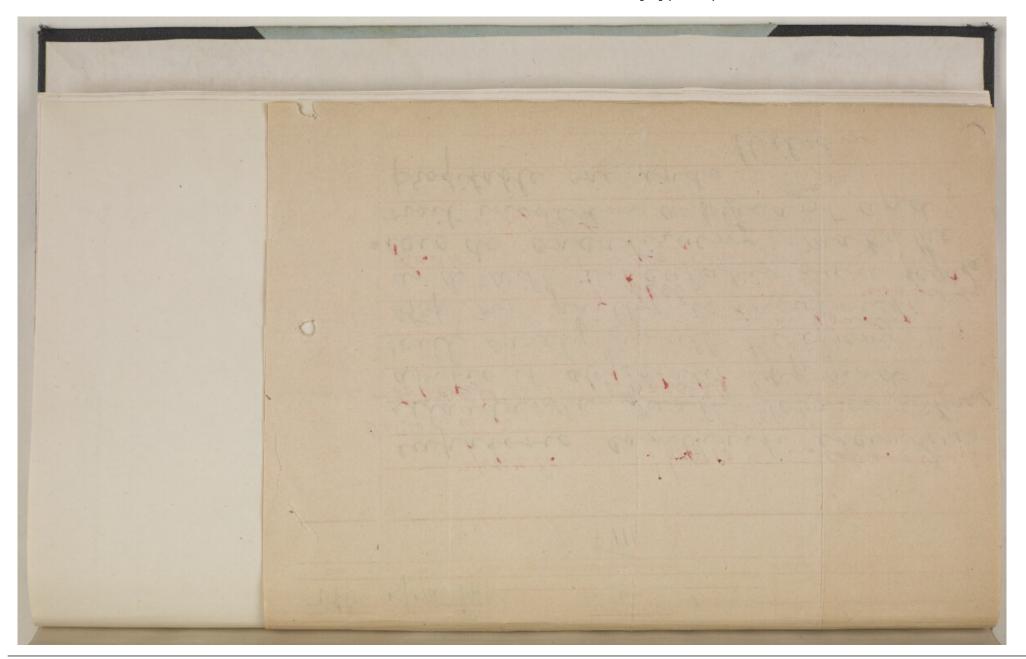


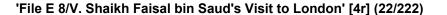
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POLITICAL AGENCY.

Bahrain, the 14th May 1919.

To

His Excellency Shaikh Sir Abdul 'Aziz bin 'Abdur Rahman bin Faisal as Sa'ud, K.C.I.E.,

Ruler of Najd,

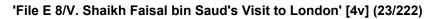
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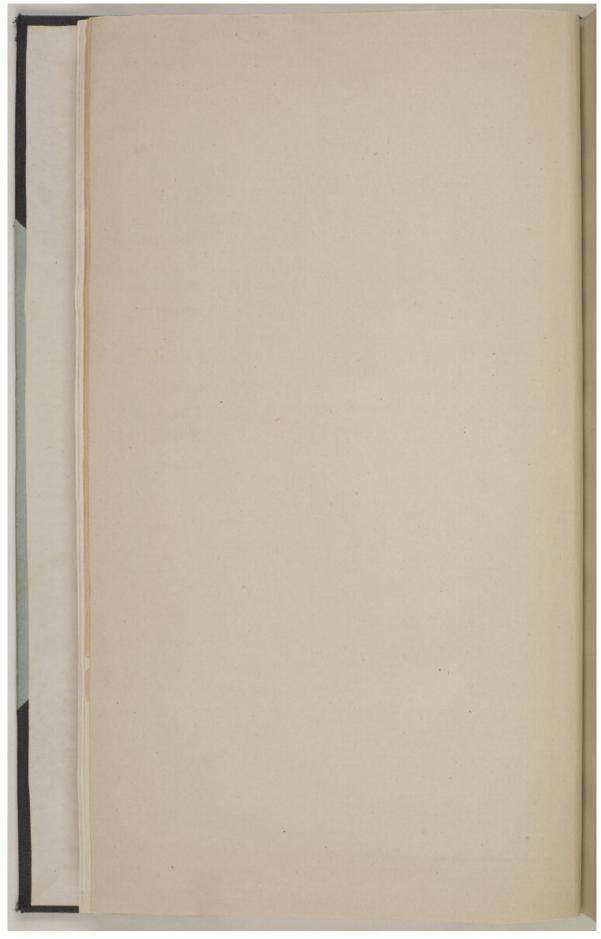
I have the honour to forward the f following telegram received today from the Chief Civil Commissioner, Baghdad for communication to Your Excellency Begins.

"After Compliments,

His Majesty's Government invites Your Excellency to send Mission your sons to London in order that the relations of your Excellency with the British Government may be thereby consolidated and the bonds of friendship made more secure. If Your Excellency agrees to send mission of your sons it would be convenient if they could come to Bahrain at once in order that the journey may be performed before monsoon sets in. Shaikh Abdullah son of Shaikh 'Isa will be proceeding to London at the same time on a visit. A special British Officer will accompany the party which will be guest of His Majesty's Government. In communicating this invitation to Your











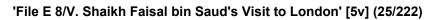
is greatly in your interests to accept it if possible. Good will surely result therefrom. Mr.Philby is in London and will, I feel sure, be glad to do all in his power to make the visit to London a pleasant and profitable one." Ends.

I shall be very much obliged if Your Excellency will kindly send me your reply as early as possible for communication to the Chief Civil Commissioner Baghdad.

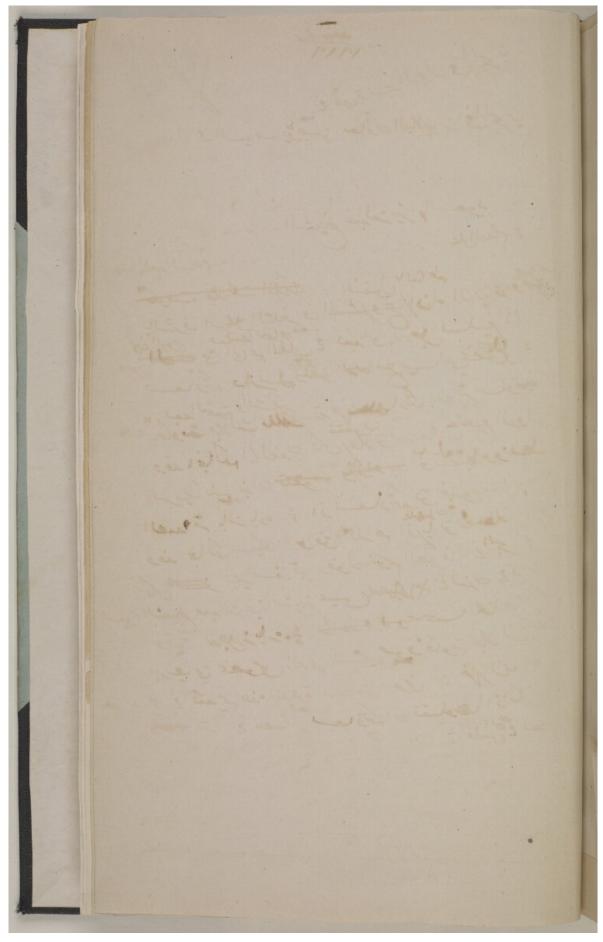
This is what had to be said and may you be preserved and salaams.

Indian Assistant,

(In charge current duties of Political Agent)
Bahrain.

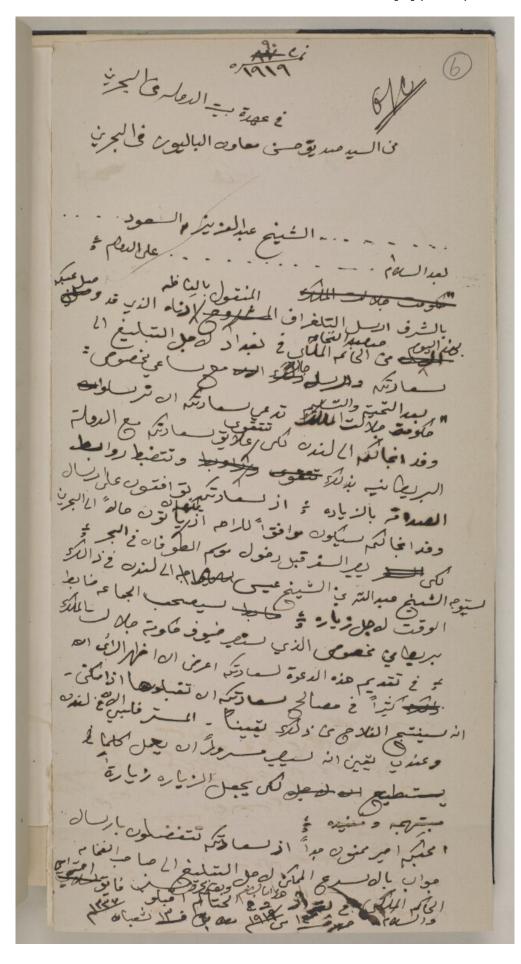


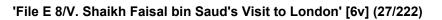




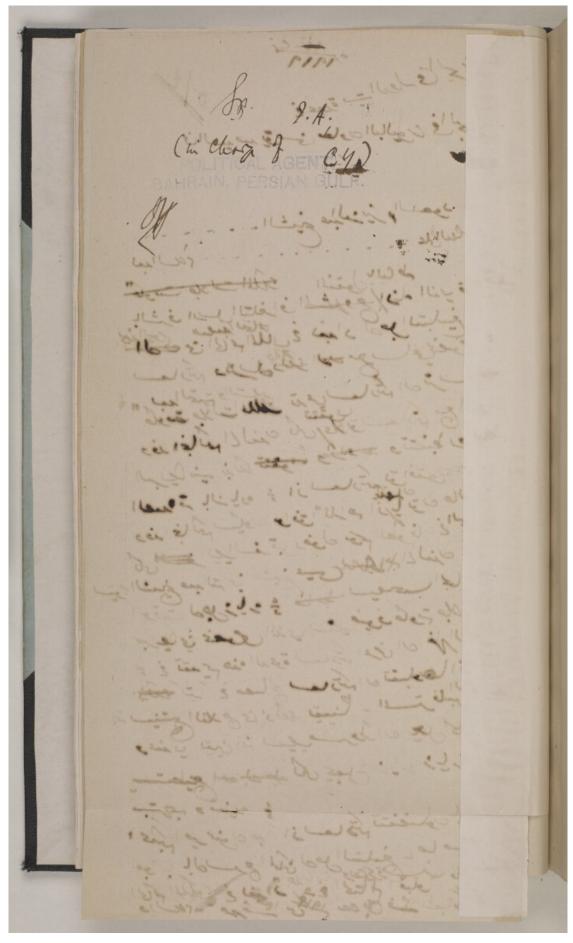






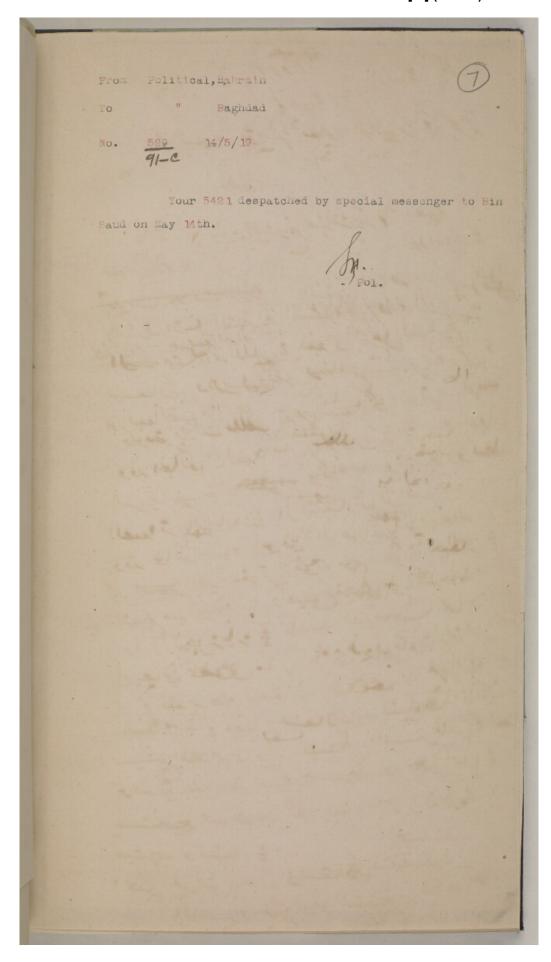


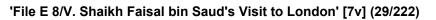




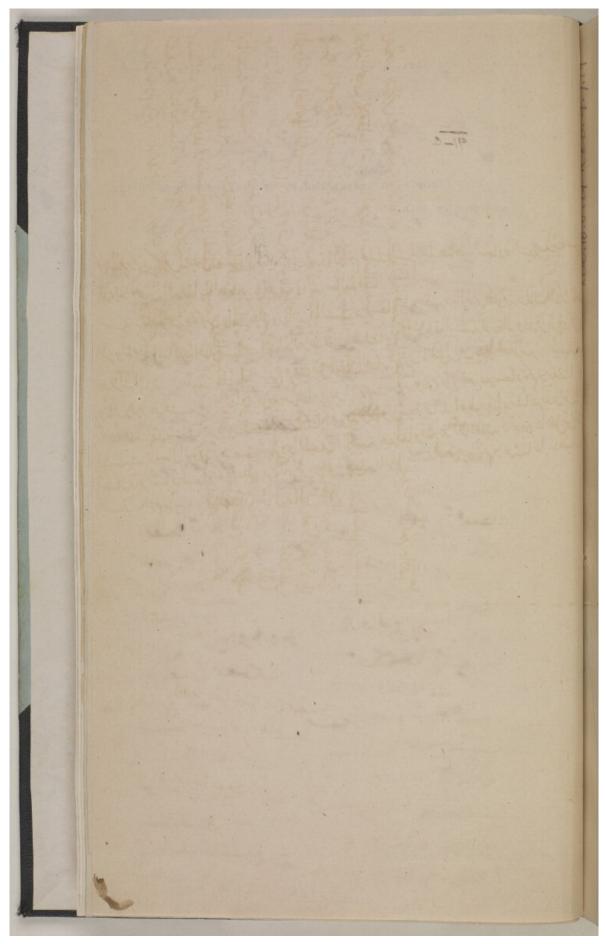


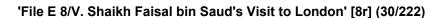




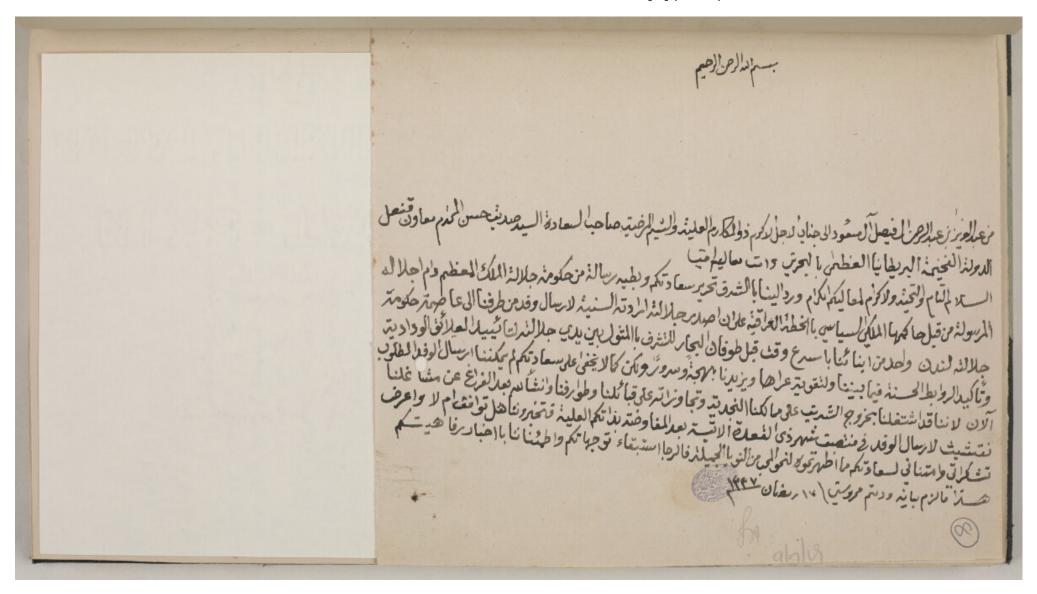






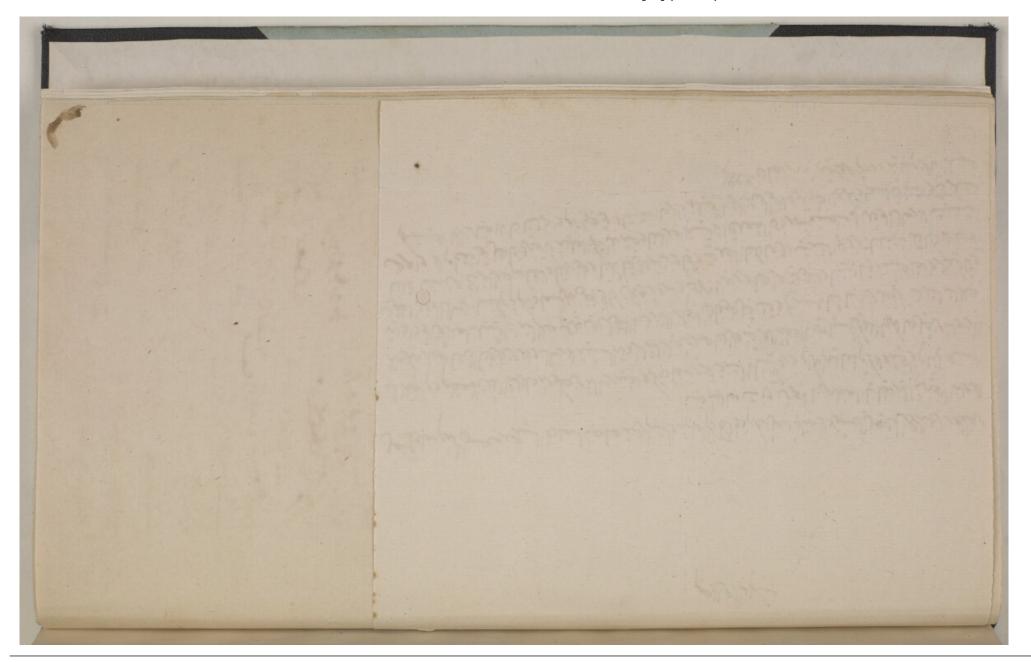








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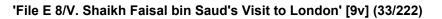
Tr nslation of a letter dated 17th. Ramazan 1337 (16th. June, 1919) from Shaikh Sir Abdul Aziz bin Abdur Rahman Al Paisal As Saud, K.C.I.E., the Ruler of Nejd, to Saiyid Siddiq Hasan Esqr. Indian Assistant, incharge Political Agency Pahrain.

After compliments

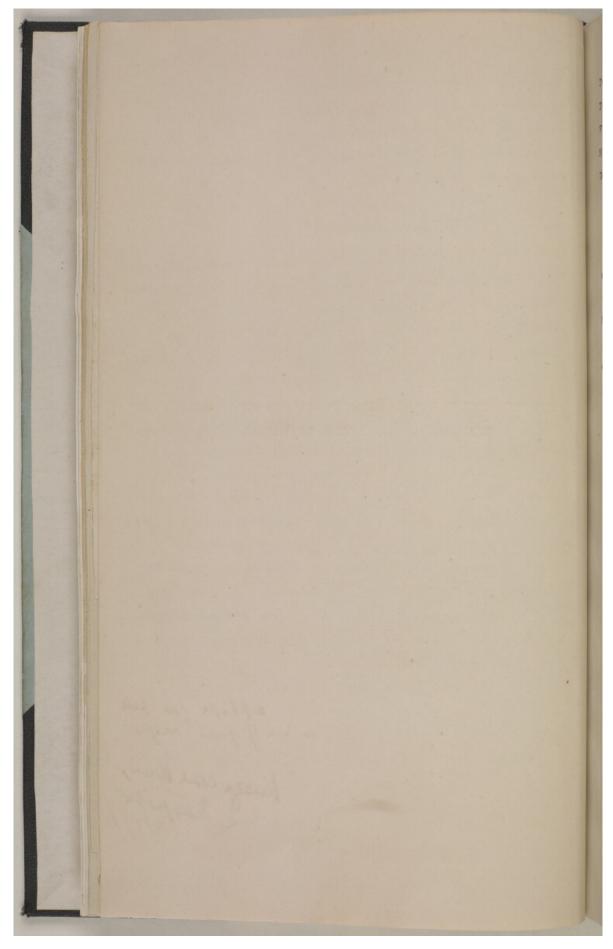
I have the honour to acknowldge receipt of your letter enclosing therewith a message from His Majesty's Government, May their honour be preserved, which was sent through their Civil Commissioner in Mesopotamia stating that His Wajesty expressed the wish to have a mission of one of my sons to represent me at His Majesty's capital LONDON as soon as possible that is to say before the stormy weather sets in in order to have the concur to pay respects to His Wajesty, and also to strengthen the friendly relations and bonds existing between us and by which I feel exceedingly pleased, but as it is not concealed from you, I am unable, to send the proposed mission, just at present, as I have been busy since the Sharif has come out to my territories in Nejd, and also because of his transgressive acts against my tribsemen and dependants Insha Allah after I am free of my business I shall avail my self of the opportunity to send the mission in the middle of Zalqadah next after I hav I com unicated with you and you will kindly inform he whether the time will be suitable or otherand I of or my thanks and gratitude for all that pressed towards me with your good conscient Phape you is what had to be said and nay you be preserved etc.

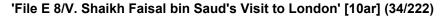
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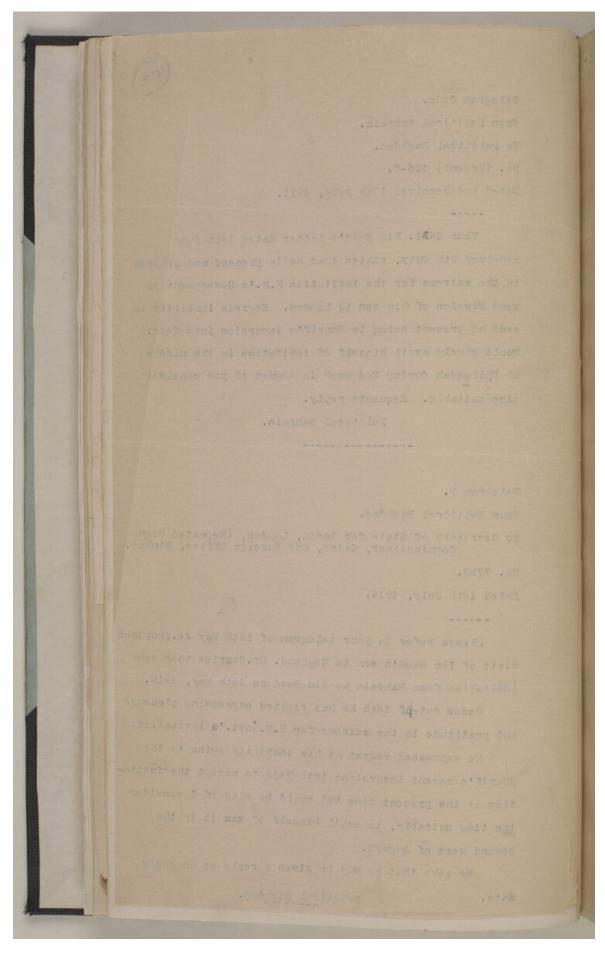


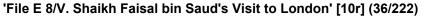


Telegram Code. From Political Bahrain. To Political Baghdad. No. (Urgent) 106-C. Your 5421. Bin Saud's letter dated 16th June received 9th July, states that he is pleased and obliged in the extreme for the invitation H.M.'s Government to send Mission of his son to London. Regrets inability to send at present owing to Sharif's incursion into Nejd. Would gladly avail himself of invitation in the middle of Dhilqadah during 2nd week in August if you consider Political Bahrain. Telegram P. From Political Bachdad. To Secretary of State for India, London, (Repeated High Commissioner, Cairo, and Foreign Office, Simla). No. 7793. Dated 12th July, 1919. Please refer to your telegram of 12th May re.proposed visit of Ibn Saud's son to England. Mr. Couries took your invitation from Bahrain to Bin Saud on 15th Way, 1919. Under date of 16th he has replied expressing pleasure and gratitude in the extreme for H.M.Govt.'s invitation. He expresses regret at his inability owing to the Sharif's recent incursions into Mejd to accept the invitation at the present time but would be glad if I consider the time suitable, to avail himself of xxx it in the He asks that he may be given a reply at an early flate.



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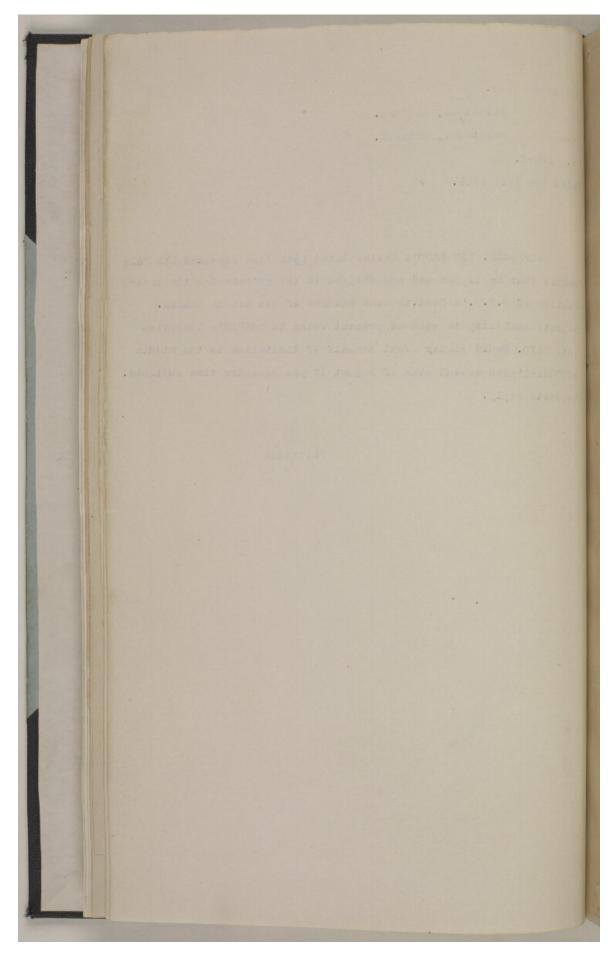




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Telegram P.

From Political Baghdad.

To Secretary of State for India, London, (Repeated to High Commissioner, Cairo, and Foreign Office, Simla).

No. 7794. Dated 12th July, 1919.

Please see my immediately preceedingkx telegram.

A desire has been expressed by Shaikh Ahmad ibn Jabir the heir to the Principality of Koweit to share the privilege accorded to the sons of the chiefs of Nejd and Bahrain.

. If an invitation could be extended to him the same benefits would accrue to H.M.'s Govt. and to him as in the case of the Shaikh of Bahrain, and he would be a suitable companion for the son of Bin Saud.

I earnestly hope the proposal will be approved as it is in this direction, I think, that we must look for an improvement in the affairs of Central Arabia.

The date should, I think, be as proposed i.e. the 2nd week in August.

Political Baghdad.

Telegram Code.

From Political Baghdad.

To Foreign Simla.

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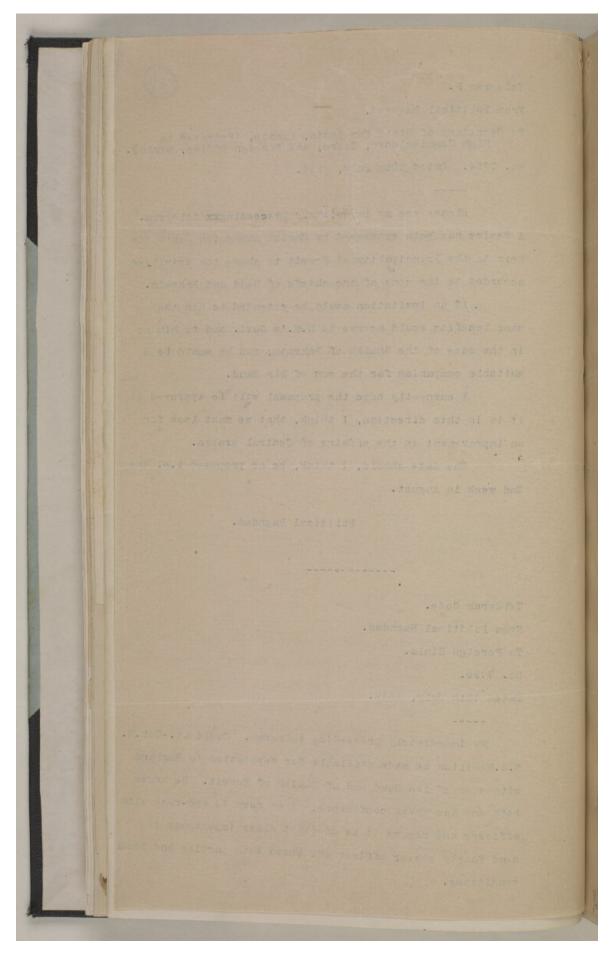
Dated 12th July, 1919.

My immediately preceeding telegram. Could Lt.-Col.R.

B.A. Hamilton be made available for deputation to England with sons of Ibn Saud and of Shaikh of Koweit. He knows both and has their confidence: I am down to bed-rock with officers and regard it as of first class importance to send fairly senior officer who knows both parties and local conditions.

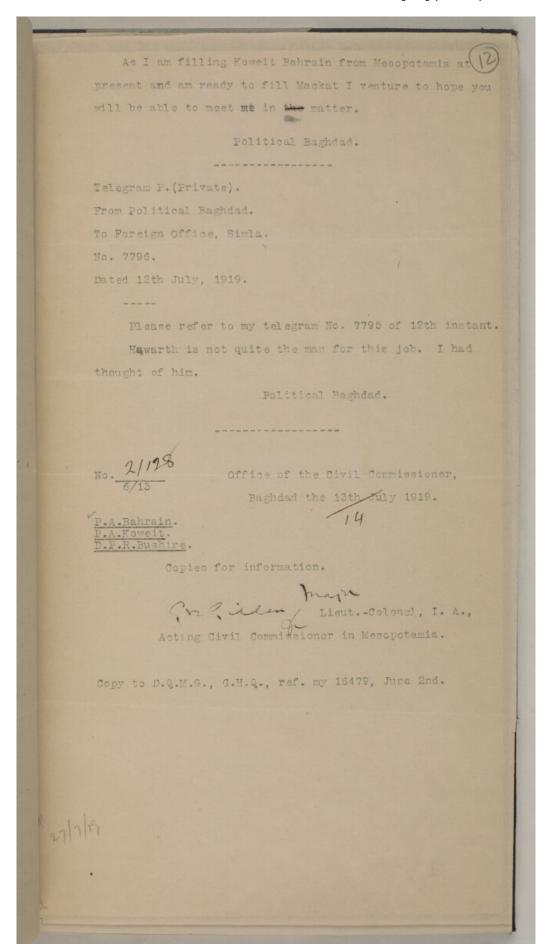


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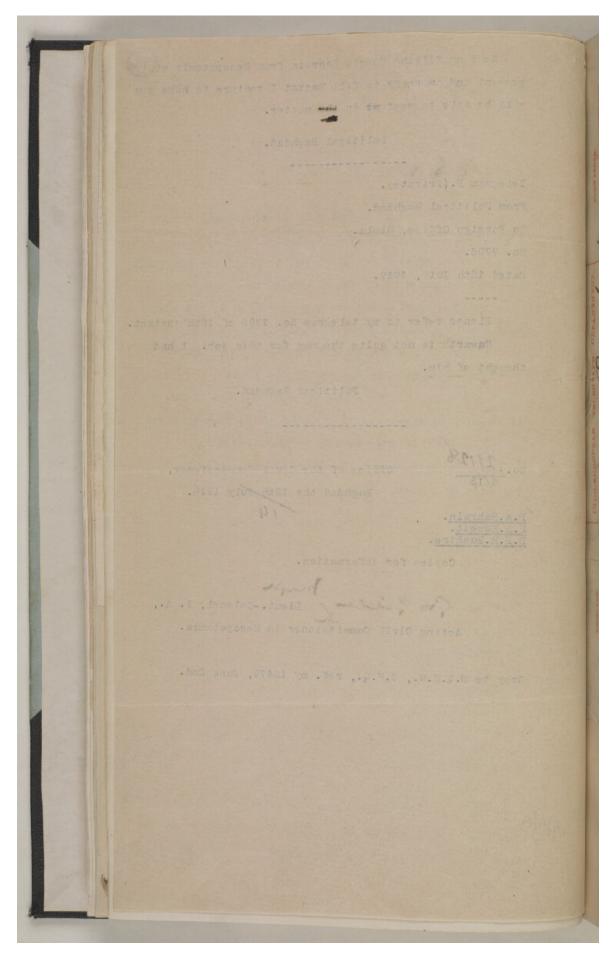


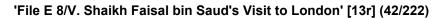
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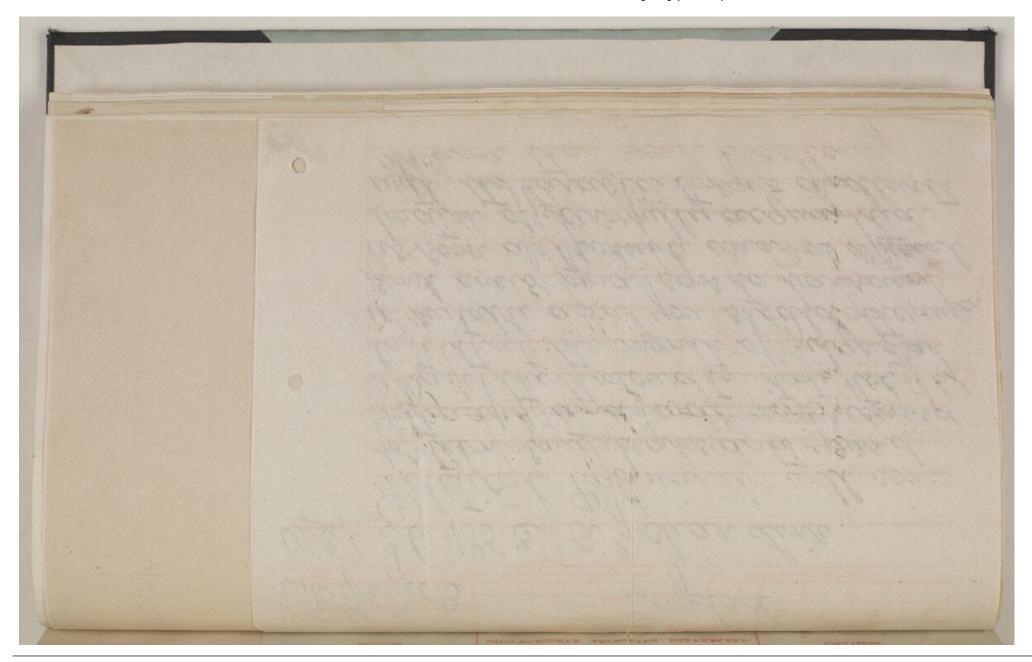




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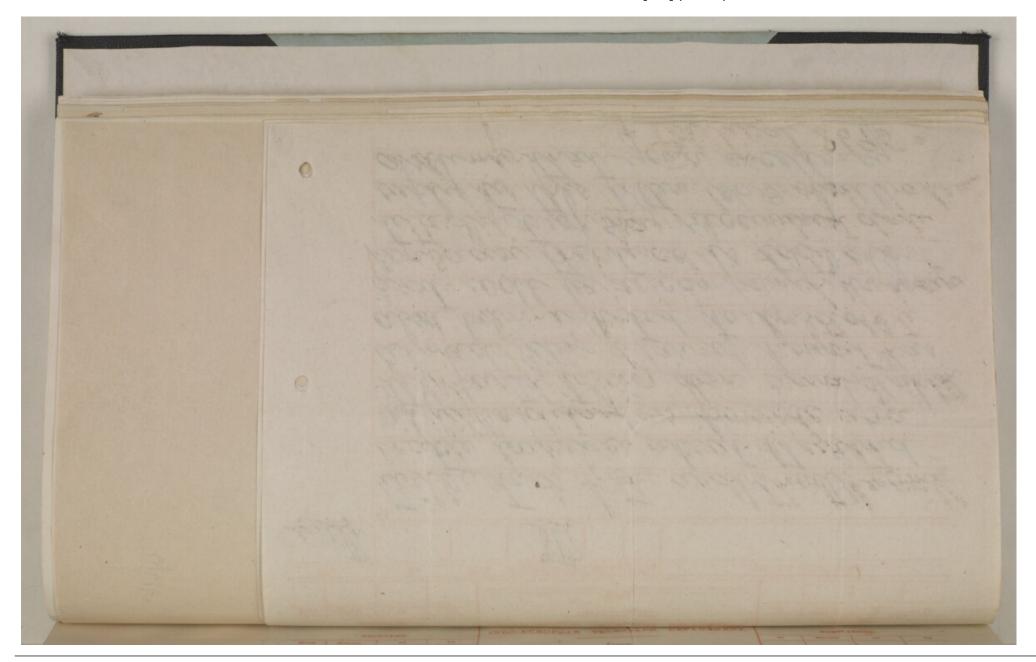


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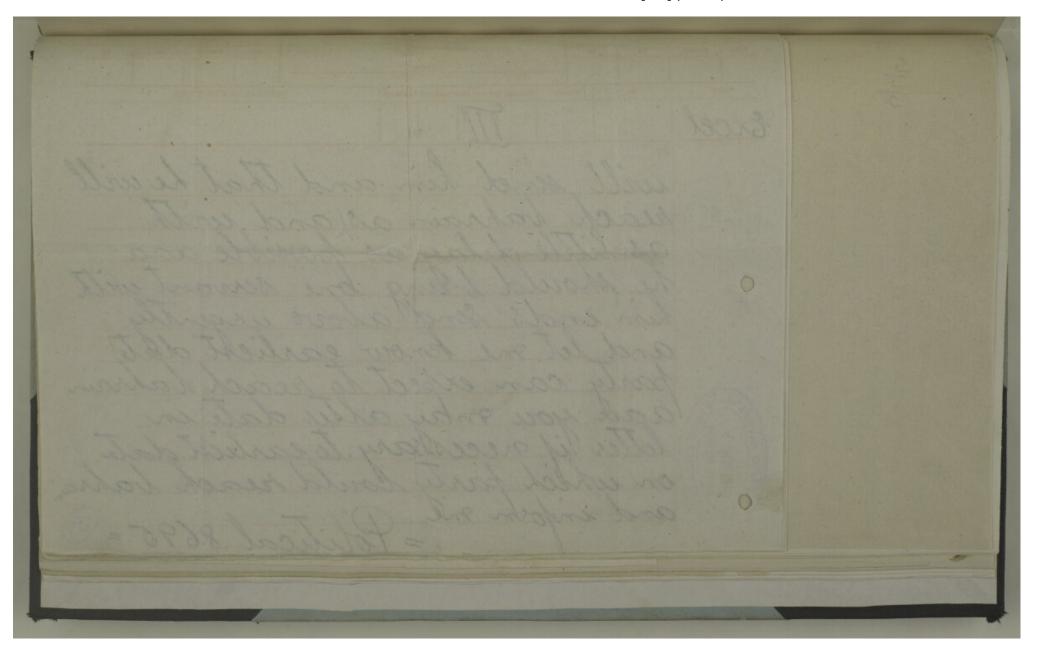


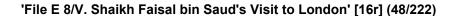
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No. 128-C

POLITICAL AGENCY
Bahrain, dated the 4th August, 1919,

To

BIN SAUD.

After compliments,

I have the honour to forward to your Excellency the following very urgent telegram which has just reached me from the Honourable the Civil Comr. Baghdad in his own words.

Your letter of the 17th Ramadhan received. I have the onour to inform Your Excellency too late that the month of Zil Qaadah is suitable (and therefore) you should send one of your sons to Bahrain as soon as Bakrain as soon as possible. A special British officer who is fully acquainted with the Arabic tongue and with the customs of the Arabs will come (in the man-of-war) "Lawrence" about the 23rd Zil-Qaadah in order to accompany the party to London. Shaikh Ahmad bin Jabir (As Salih) of Kuweit has also been invited to London and he will be a companion to your son. The time is too short to admit of my receiving a reply to this letter(from Your Excellency) and I therefore assume (with certainty) that you will send your son and that he will reach Bahrain on the above noted appointment without the least possible delay. It is necessary that your son should one servant with him. Ends. "

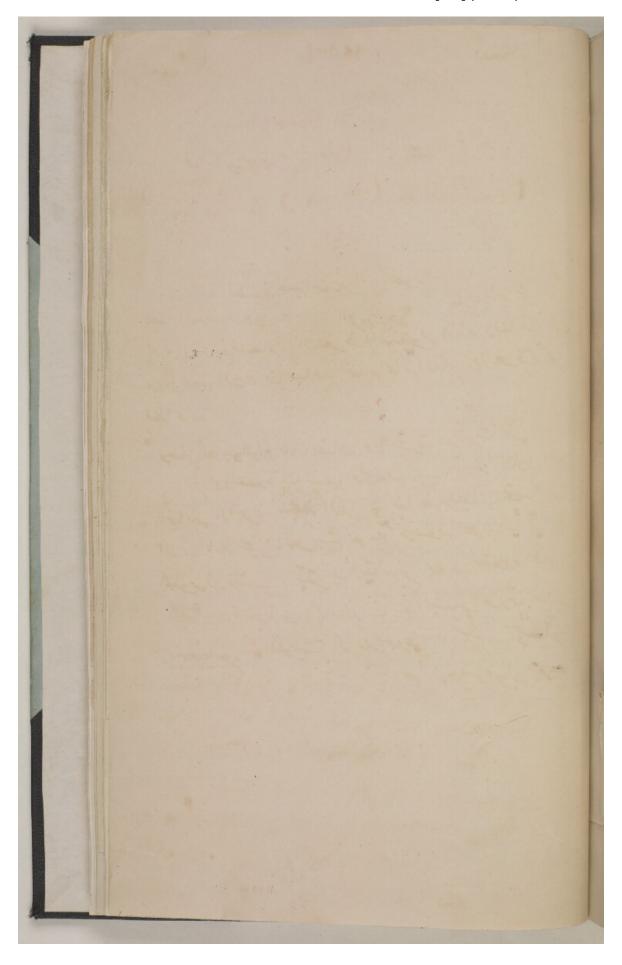
As the message is very urgent I am sending it atonce and have requested Your Excellency's Agent Abdul Aziz Quasaibi to despatch it to Your Excellency by the quickest possible means by a special messenger.

USUAL ENDING.

Indian Assistant,
Incharge Political Agency, Bahrain

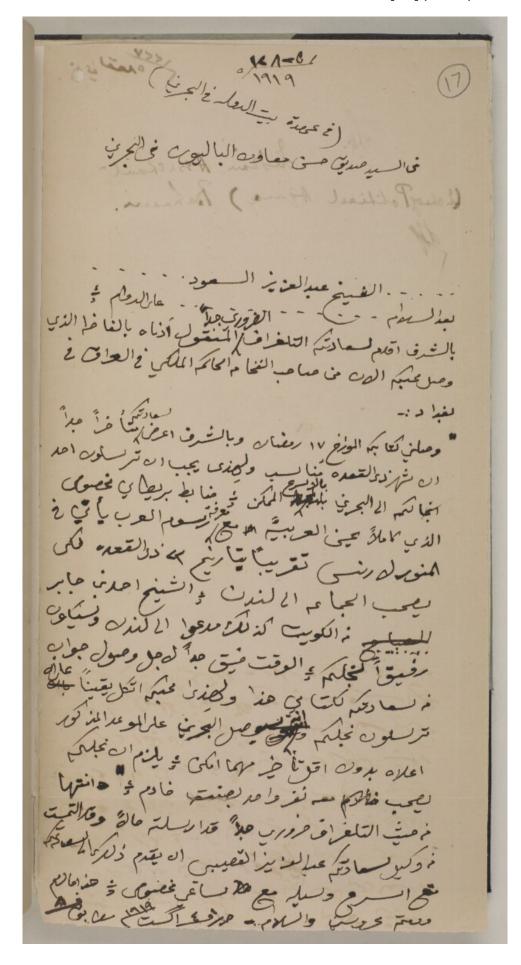


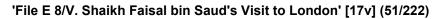
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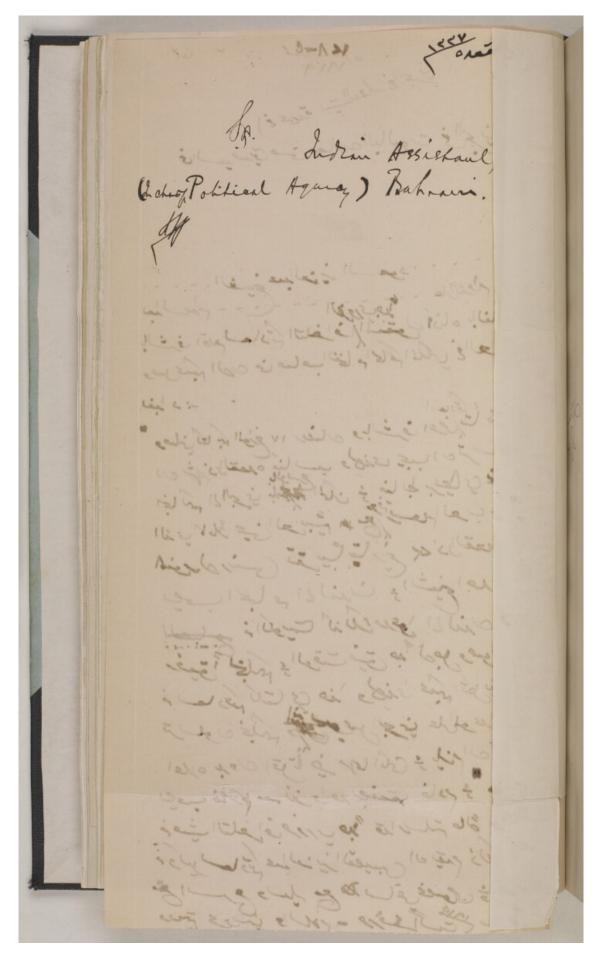


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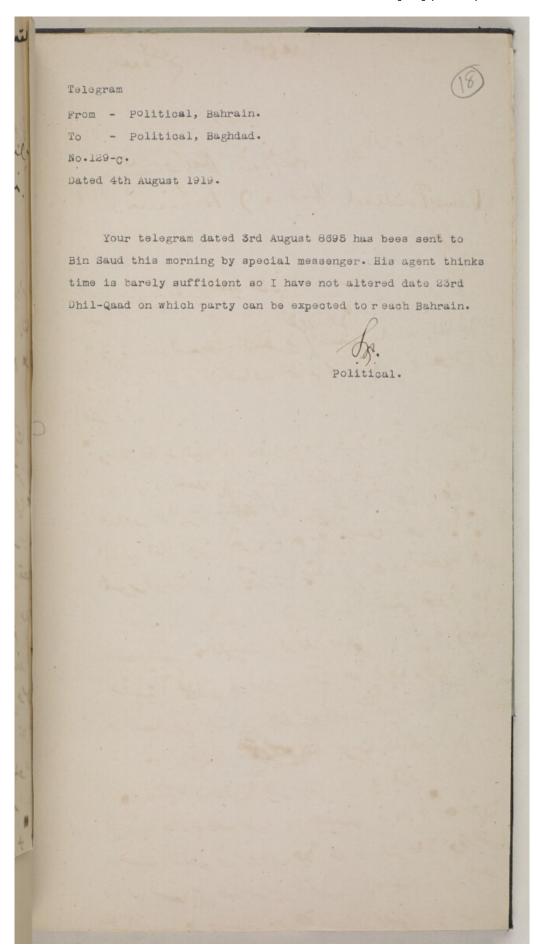






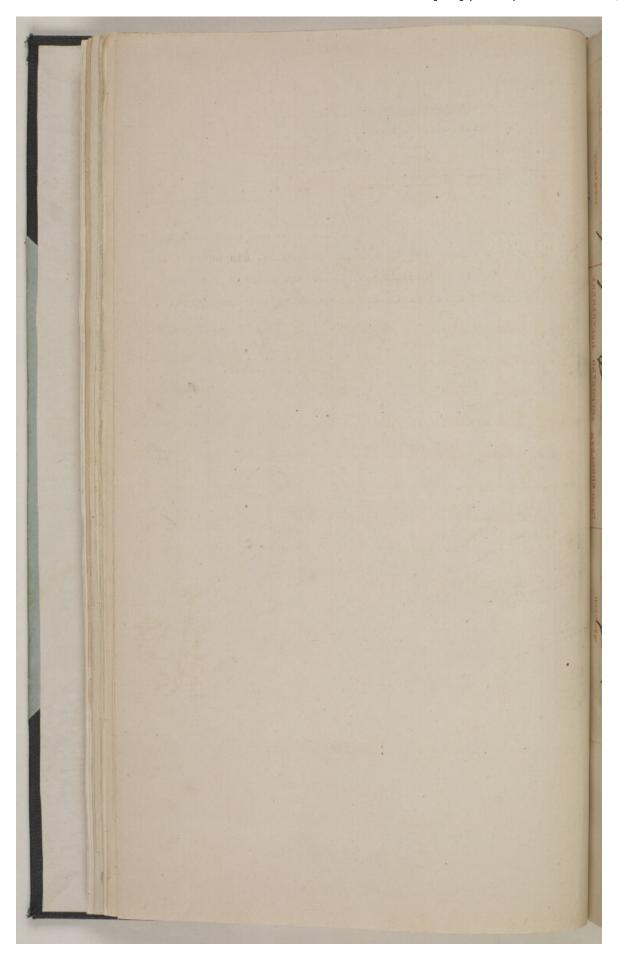


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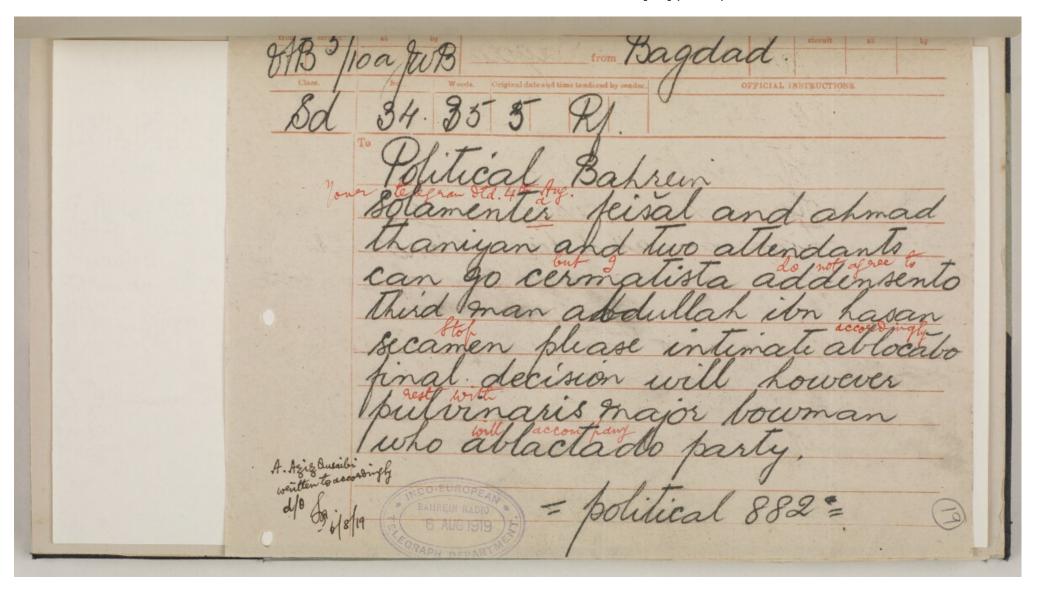


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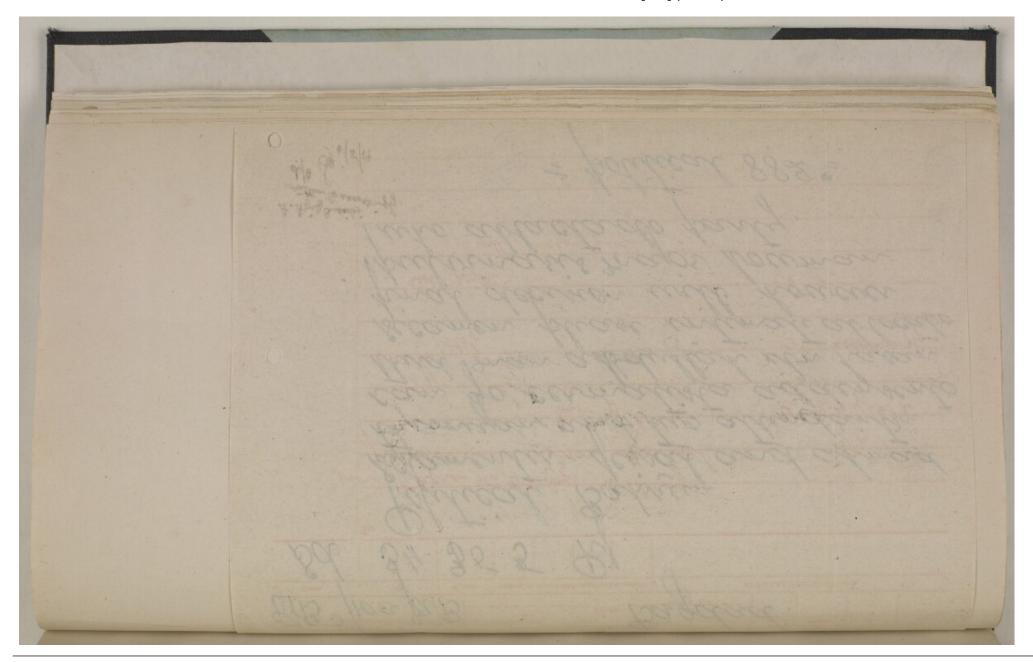


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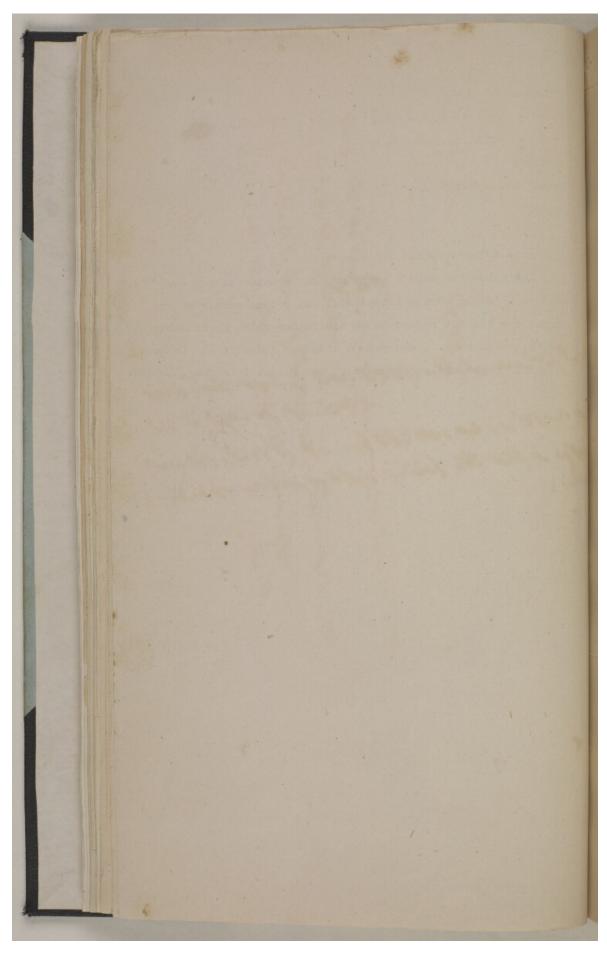
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Telegram From - Political, Bahrain. To - Political, Baghdad. No.132-C Dated 8th August 1919. Your telegram dated 5th August 882 - 3 Intimated Bin Saud's agent who has written to Bin Saud urgently. He is afraid Faisal will not reduce number of his companions without reference to his father which might delay arrival at Bahrain. I understand Abdullah Qusaibi was to have charge of money and make purchases for Faisal in Bombay, London. Political.

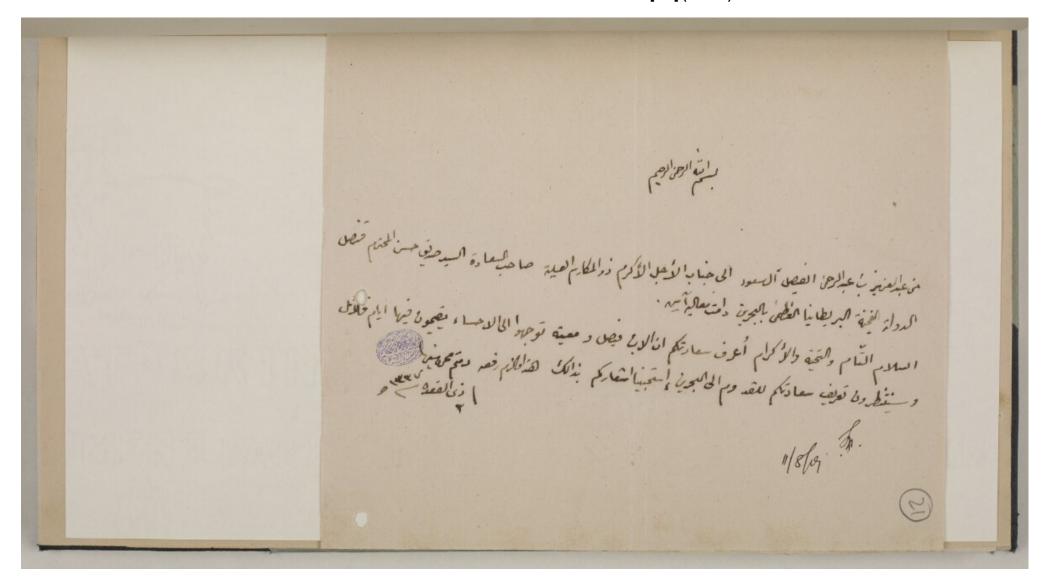






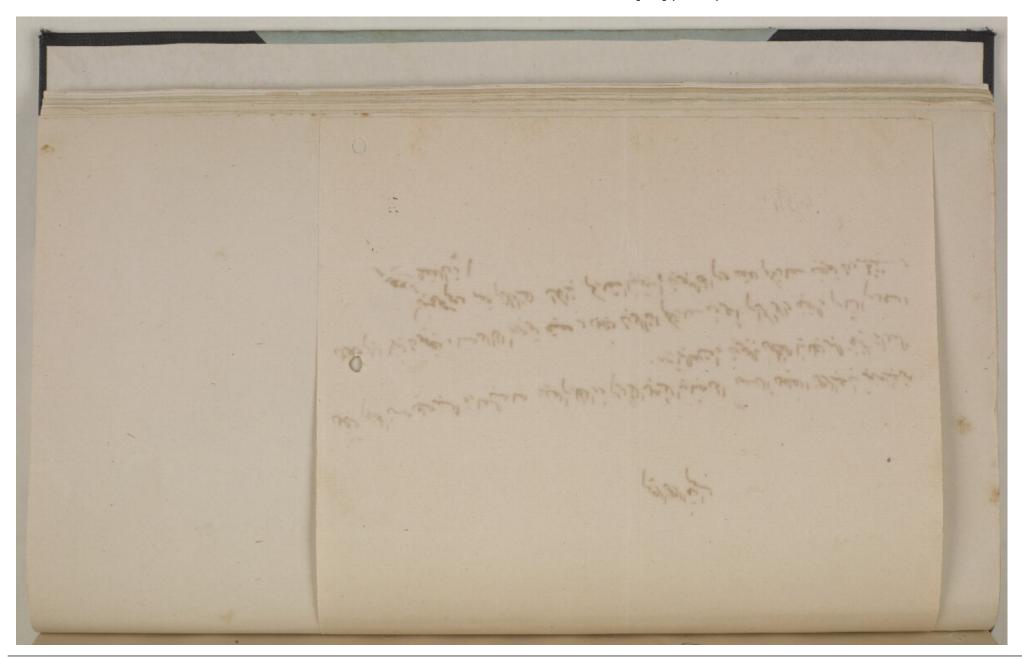


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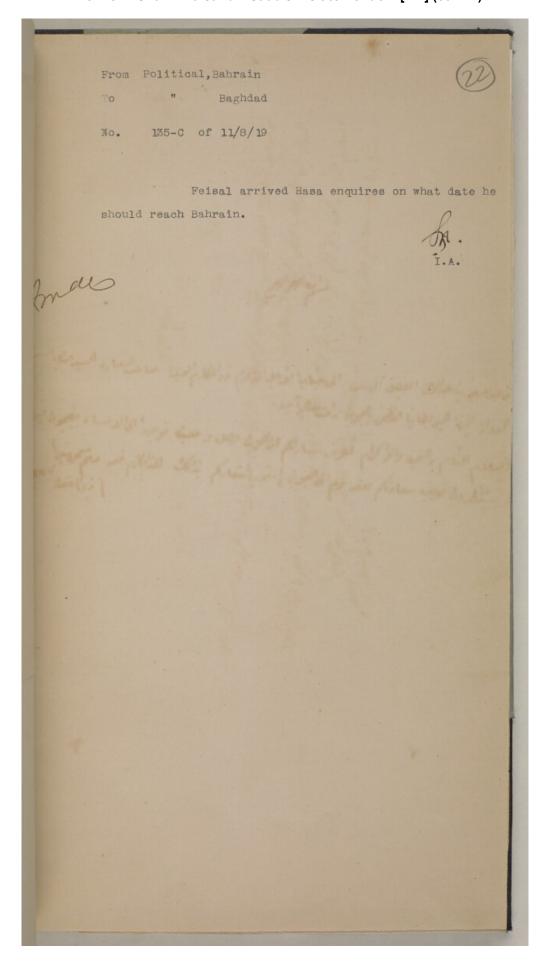


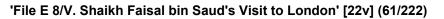
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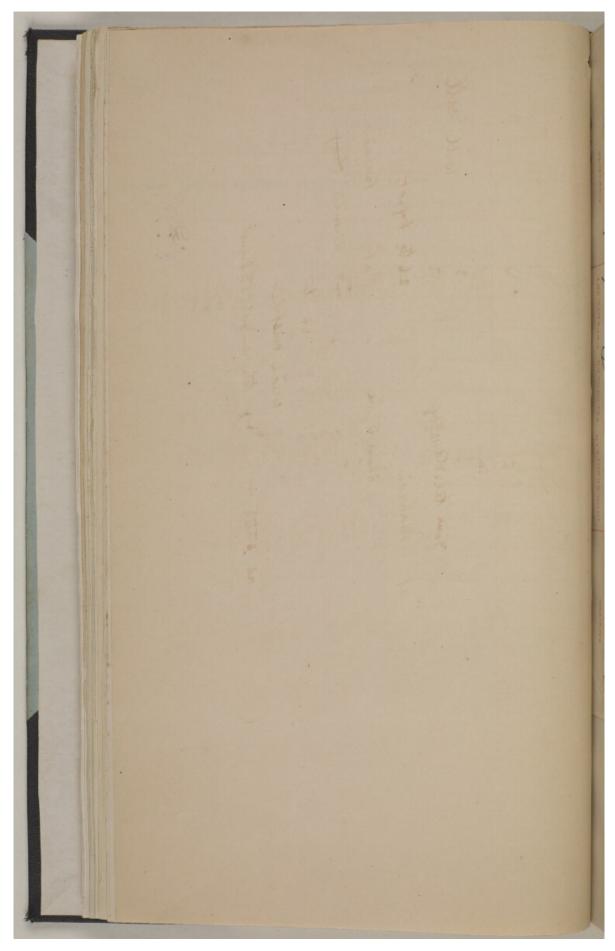


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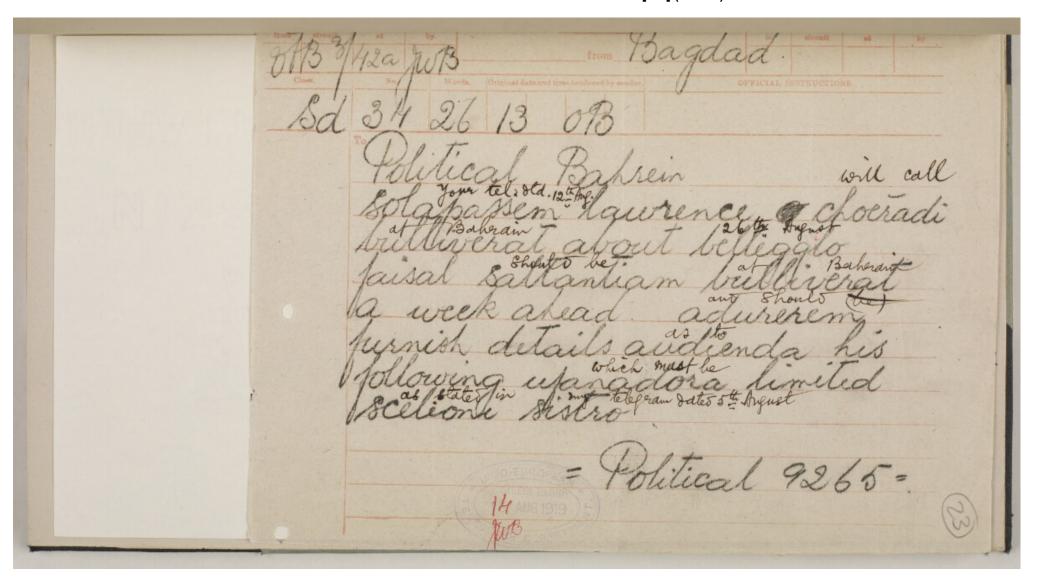






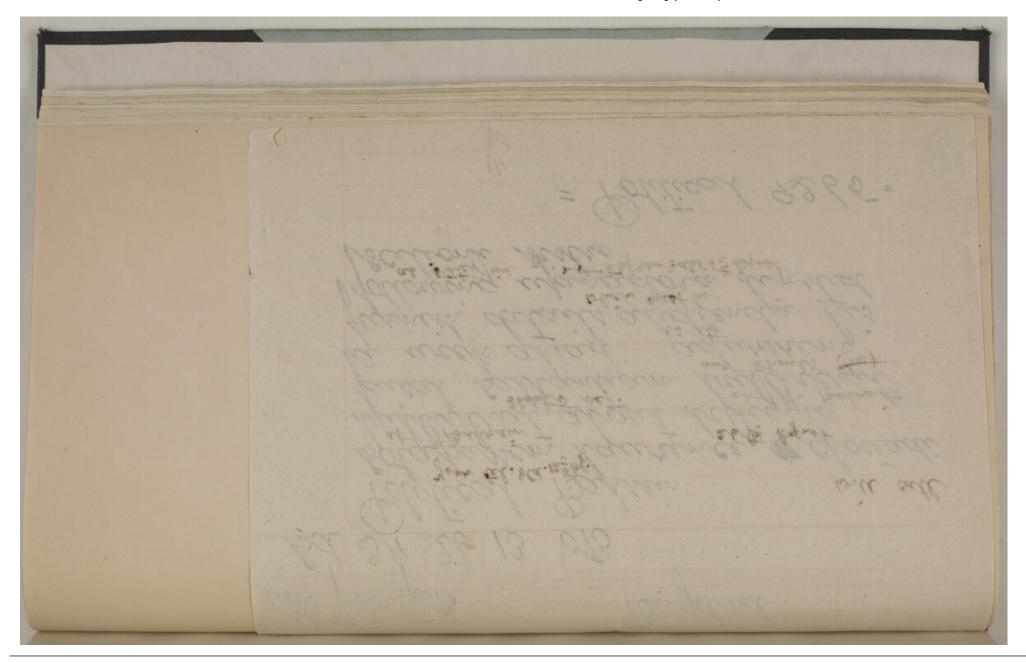


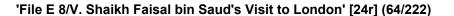
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No. 139-C Dta. 14.8.19

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Bin Saud.

After Compliments,

With reference to Y.E. letter dated 1st.

Zil-Qaadah 1337, I h.h.te inferm you that, as desired
by Y.E. I forwarded the subject matter telegraphically
te the Hen'ble C.C. in Mesopetania, Baghdad and I have
new received a tel. from him intimating that the
"LAWRENCE" will arrive in Bahrain on the 30th Zil-Qaadah
and that your sen, Faisal, should be here one week ahead
It is also intimated that his following should be limited to
Ahmad ath-Thaniyan and two attendants. I am writing to
him at Hassa and requesting him to come to Bahrein by the
23rd. Zil-Qaadah and to inform me of the details of his
following. I hope everything will be arranged in a
satisfactory manner. USUAL ENDING.

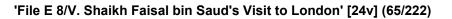
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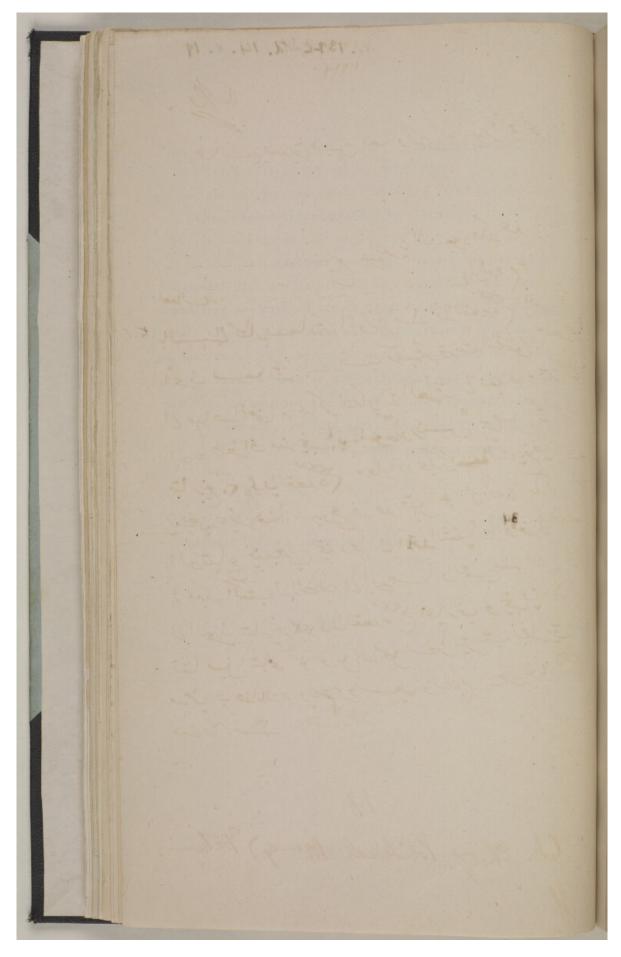
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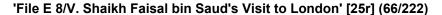
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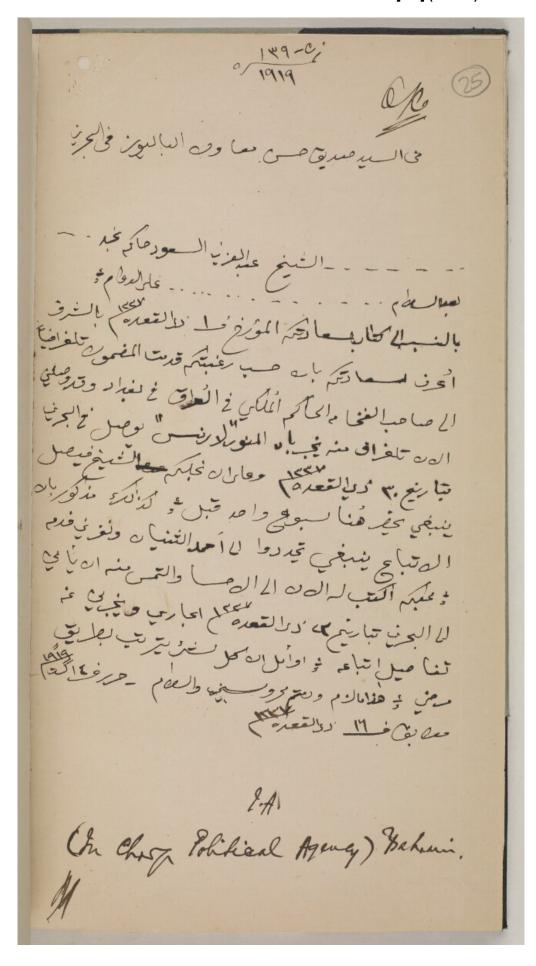


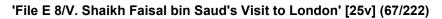




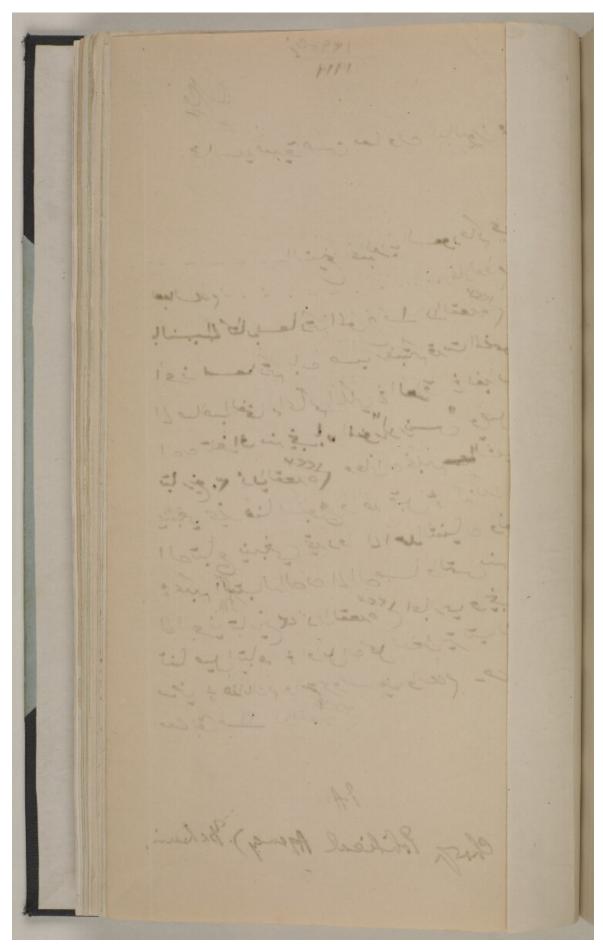


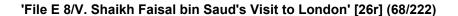














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No. 140-C.

Dated 14/8/1919.

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Feisal bin Abdul Aziz bin Saud.

After Compliments,

With reference to the letter dated

3rd Zil Qaadah 1337 which I had the henour to receive
from your illustrious father H.E. Sheikh Abdul-Aziz bin

Saud, regarding your arrival at Hassa for Bahrein in order
to proceed to London, I beg to inform you that I have
just received a telegram from the Hen'ble the C.C. in

Paghdad intimating that the "LAWRENCE" will arrive at

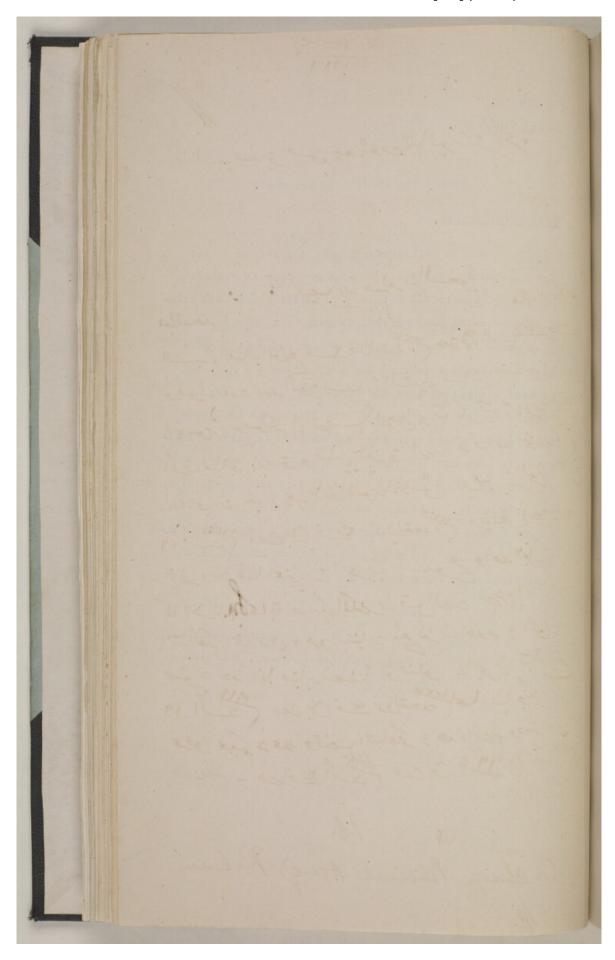
Bahrein by the 26th August (30th Zil-Qaadah 1337) and
that you should be here one week ahead. As already intimated to your noble father, it is necessary, that the number
of your fellowing should be limited to Ahmad ath-Thaniyan with
two attendants. I shall be very much obliged if you will
kindly arrange to reach Bahrein by 19th August (23rd.ZilQaadah) and also inform me of the number and detail of
your fellowing. USUAL ENDING.

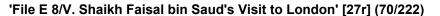
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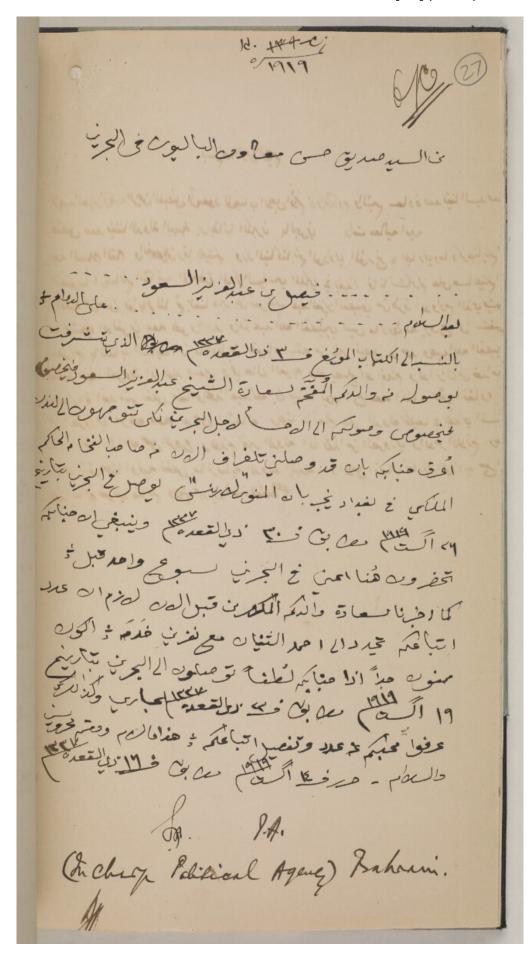


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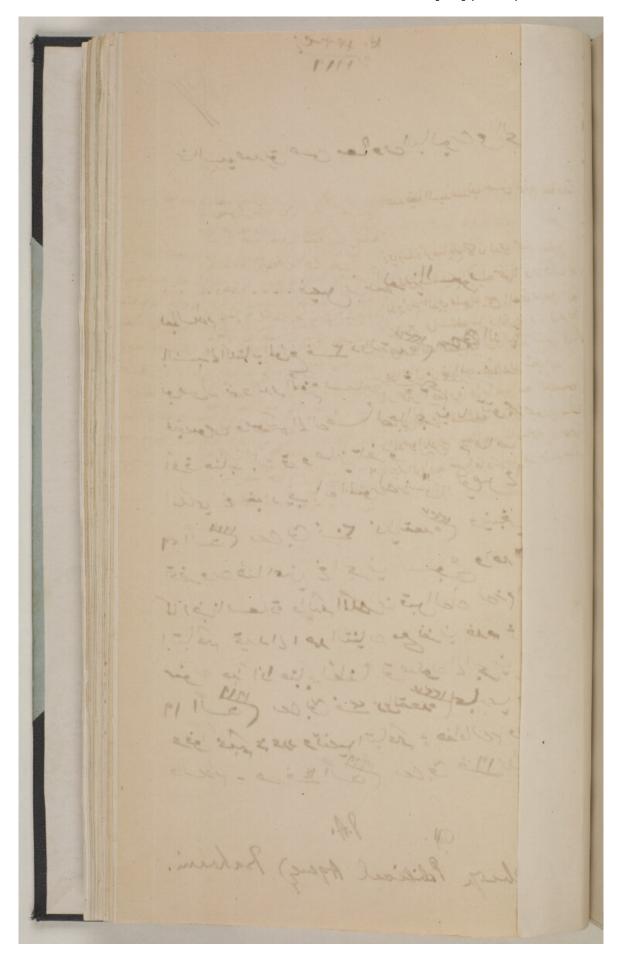


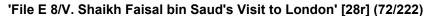




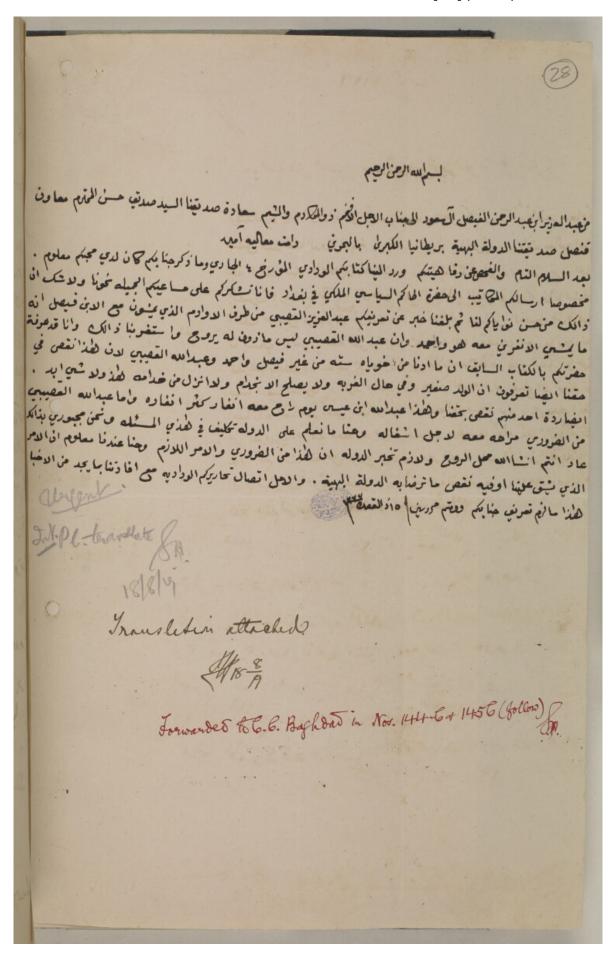


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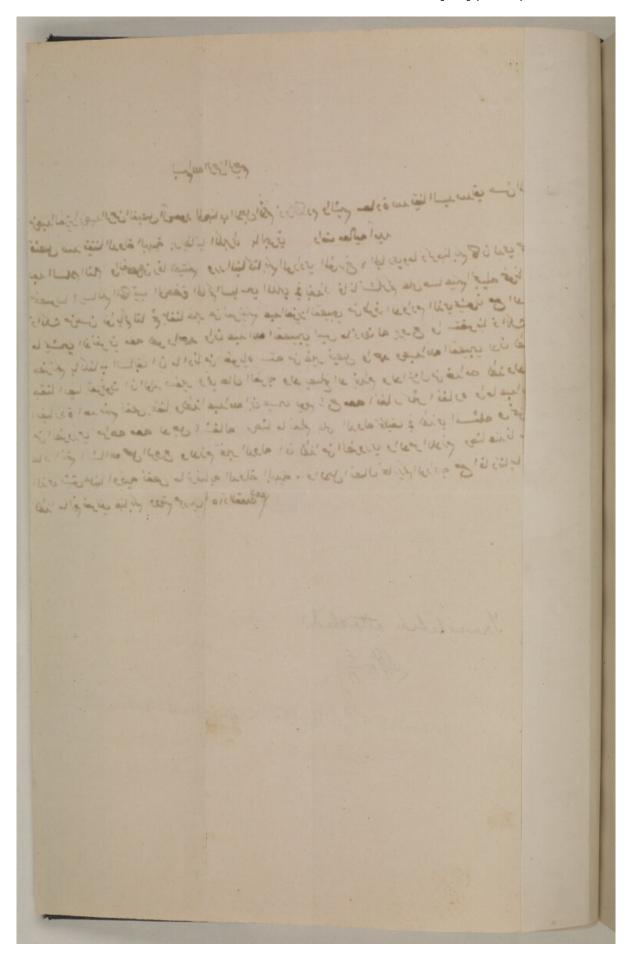






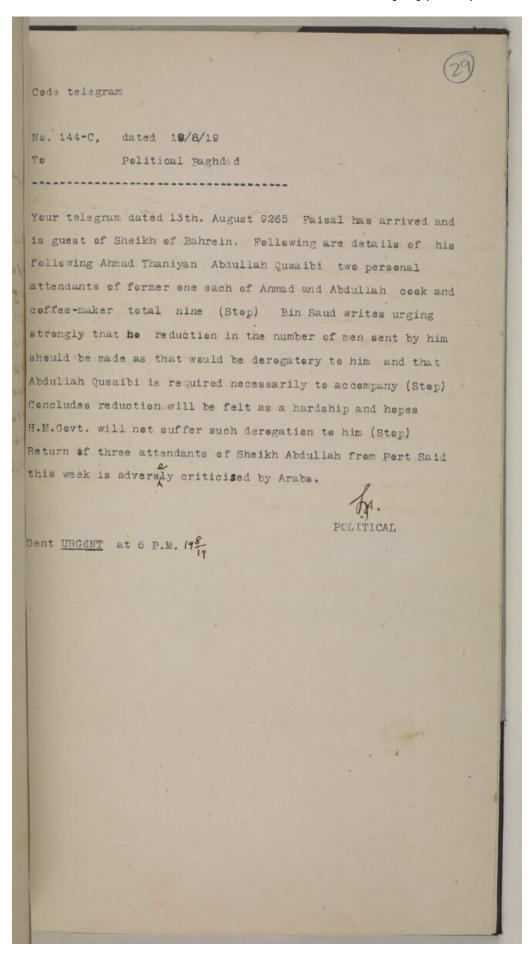


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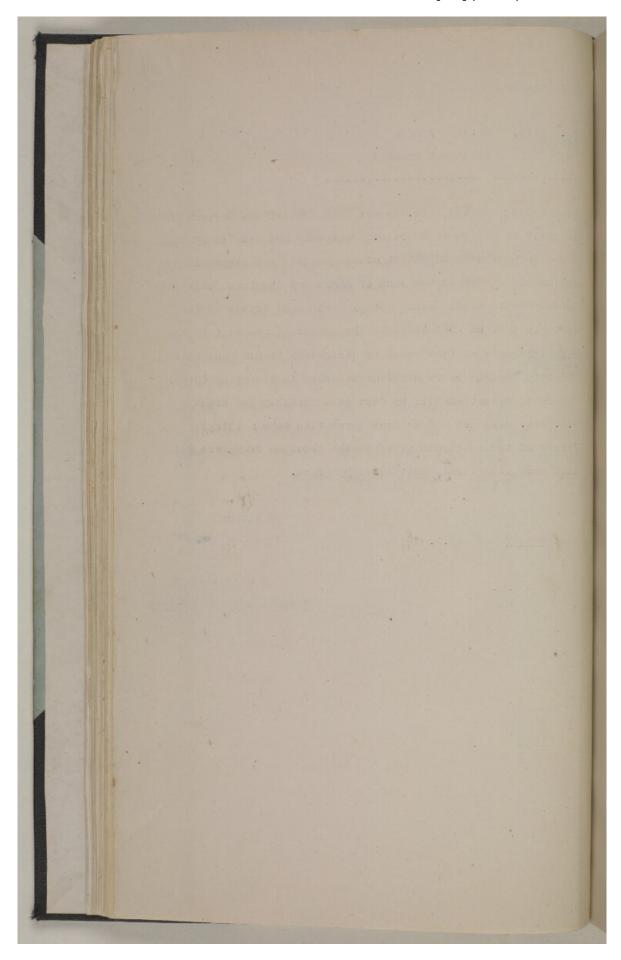


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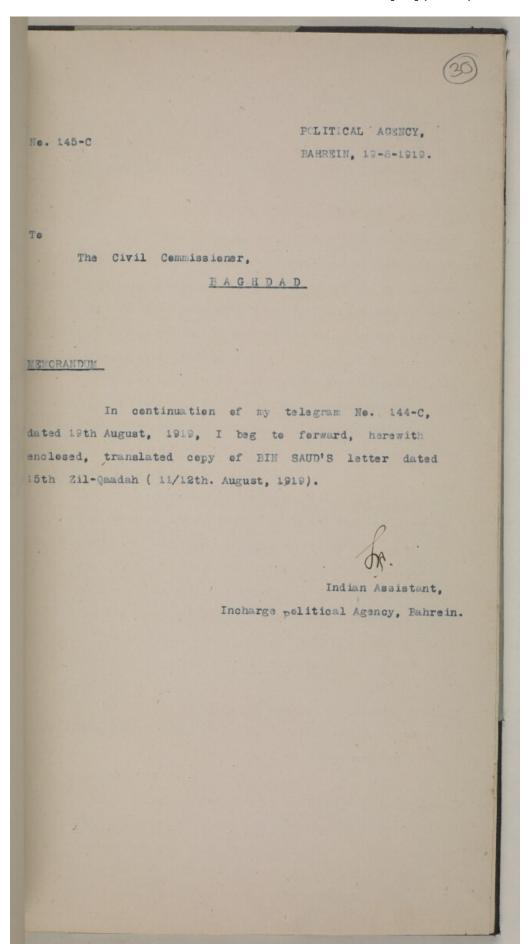


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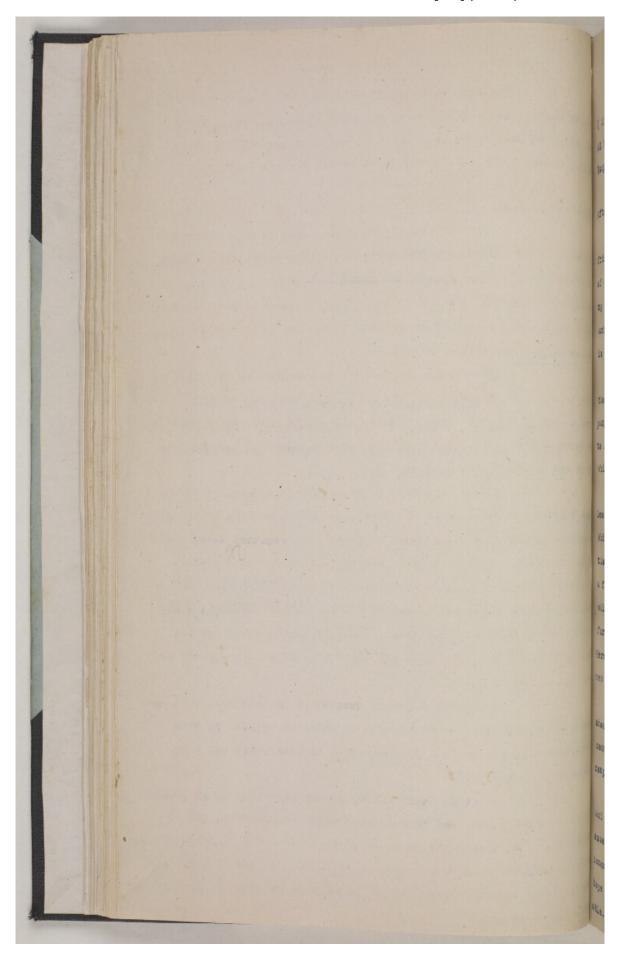


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Translation of a letter dated 15th ZULQAADAH 1337 (11th August, 1919) from Sheikh Sir Abdul Aziz bin Abdur Rahman Al Faisal As Saud, K.C.I.E., Ruler of Nejd, to Syed Siddiq Hasan Esqr., Indian Assistant, Incharge political Agency, Bahrein.

After compliments,

I have the hencur to acknowledge receipt of your friendly letter dated 4th instant (1st August, 1919) the contents of which I have fully understood, especially about the despatch of my letter by you to the Hencurable the Civil Commissioner, Baghdad and I thank you for your kind endeavours for me, and doubtless this is due to your good will towards me.

I have also learnt some news regarding your intimartien to Abdul Aziz Qusaibi en the subject of the men who will accompany my sen, Faisal; that only two men can go with him in addition to Ahmad and that Abdullah Qusaibi is not allowed to accompany him which has rather astenished me.

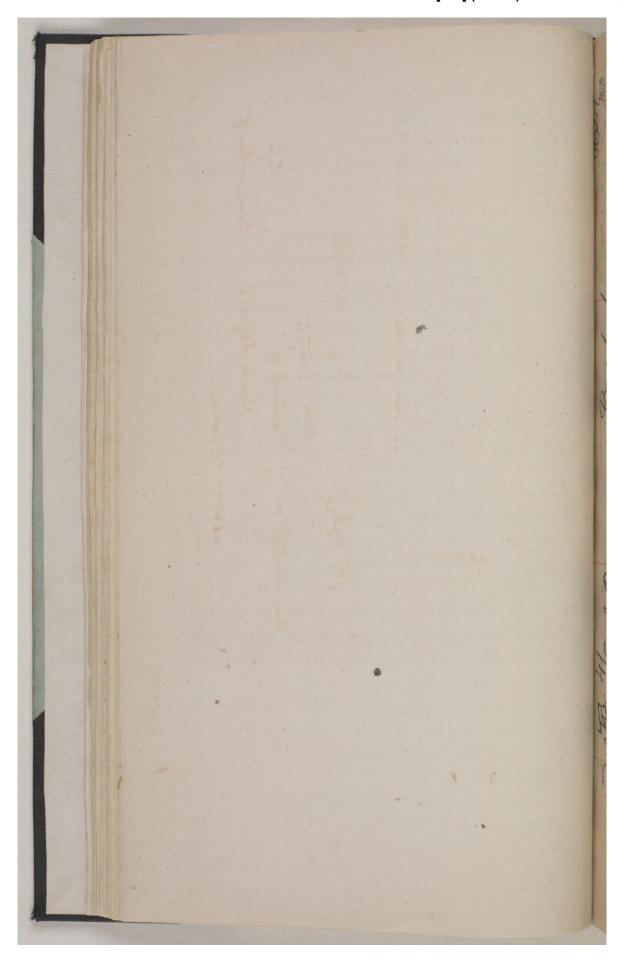
I have informed you in my previous letter that net less than six attendants should accompany Faisal besides Ahmad and abdullah Qusaibi, as (etherwise) it would be deregatory to my position. Further, you know that my son is small and cannot perform. foreign journey without a sufficient number of attendants and I will not reduce the above number of his servants absolutely. I may wurther state that to return any of them will be a slight to me. ere is an example of Abdullah bin Isa who took as large, number of en with him as this.

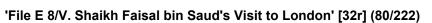
As regards Abdullah Qusaibi it is necessary that he heuld accempany him for his (my sen's) personal needs. In this ennection I do not see any inconvenience to Government and I am empelled to (urge) that.

You will, Insha-Allah, do the necessary on my behalf nd will inform Gevt. that this (arrangement) is necessary and seential. I am sure anything in which there is any kind of inconvenence or deregation to me will not be sufferfed by the High Gevt. I upe you will continue your friendly letters to me with any news available. Usual Ending.



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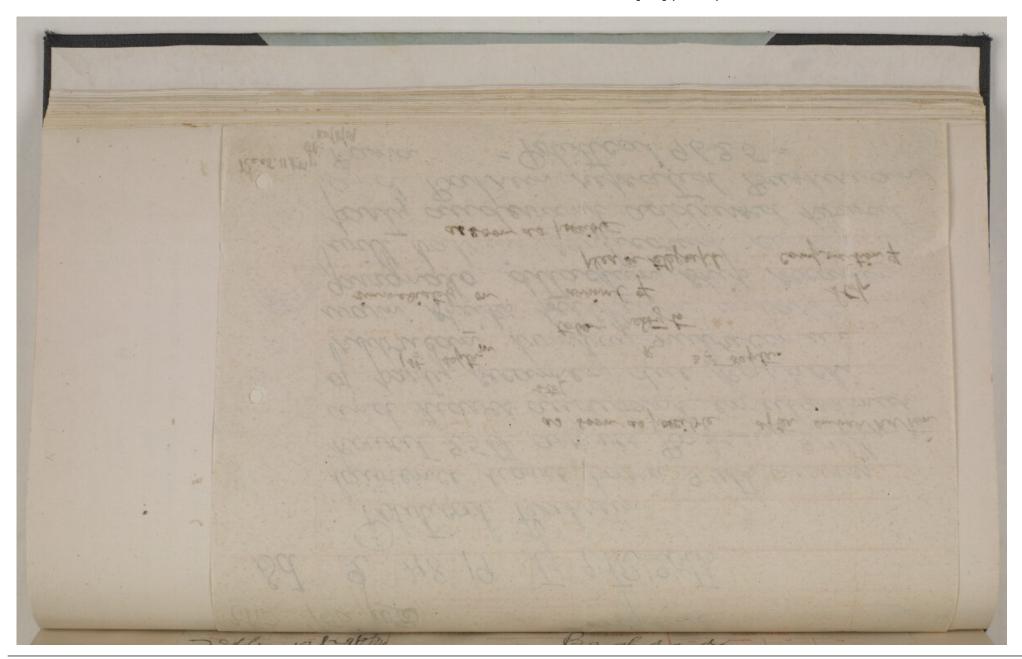




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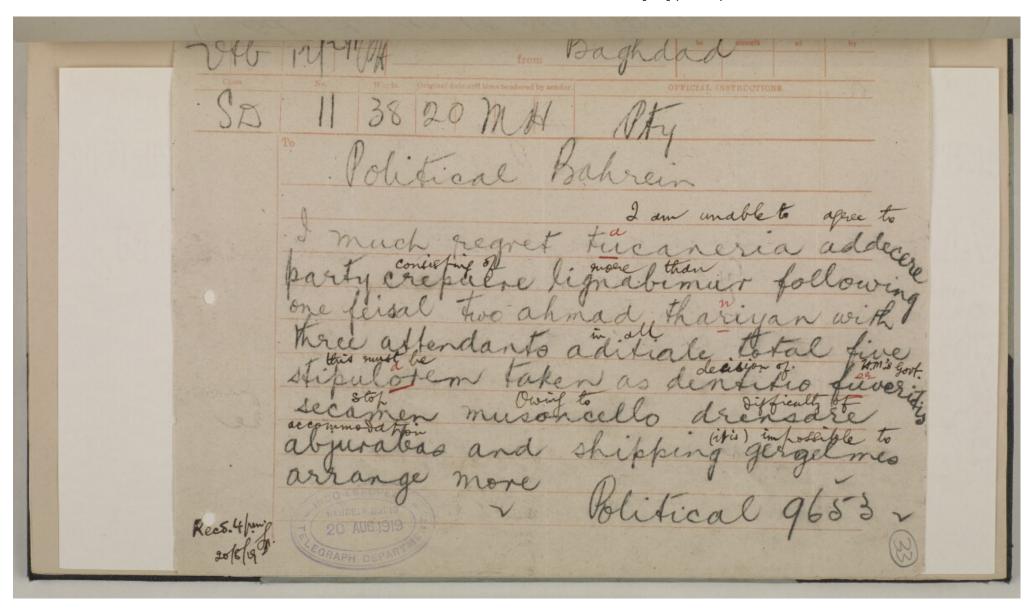


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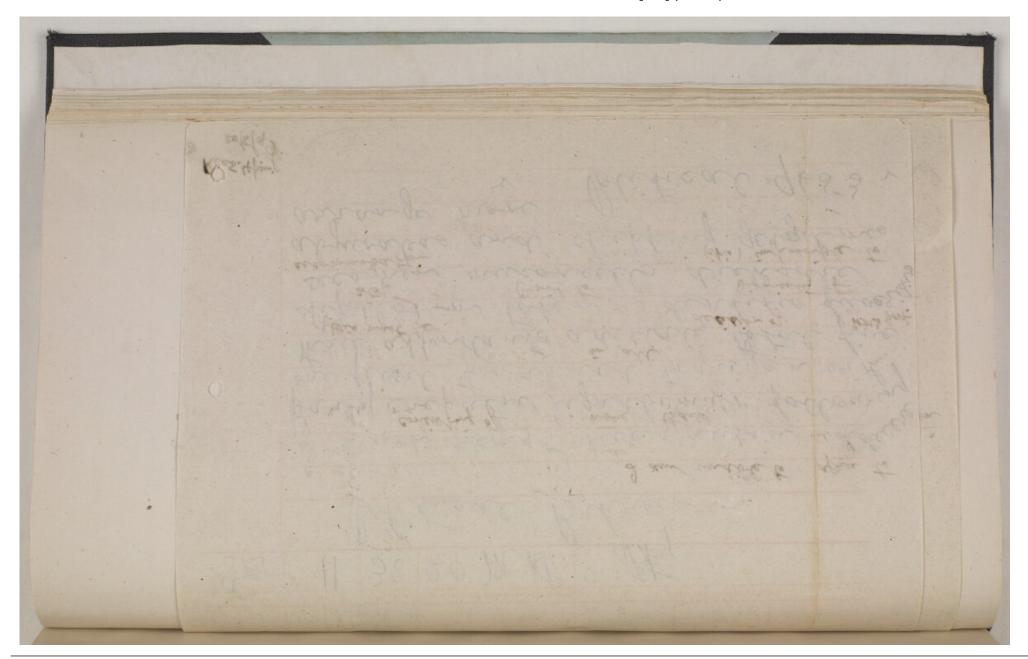


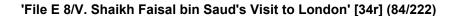
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No. 148-C

Political Agency, Bahrain.
Dated the 20-8-19.

To

Shaikh Faisal bin Abdul Aziz bin Saud at Bahrain.

After Compliments

In reply to yesterday's letter written by your order by our friend Abdul Aziz Qusaibi giving details of your attendants, I beg to inform you that I sent a telegram to the Honble Civil Commissioner, Baghdad, yesterday giving details of your following. I have today received telegraphic reply intimating that the "Lawrence" will arrive on the 27th August, 1919 (1st Zil Hijj, 1337) and that you should be ready to embark immediately on arrival of the ship.

Regarding the number of your party the Honourable Civil Commissioner informs me that your party should consist of yourself, Ahmad Thaniyan, with three attendants, total five, and that he very much regrets that owing to difficulty of accommodation and shipping it is impossible to arrange for more. This is the reason why His Majesty's Government have fixed that number, namely five.

I feel sure you will rightly understand situation and concur in the wishes of His Majesty's Govt. in this necessary matter.

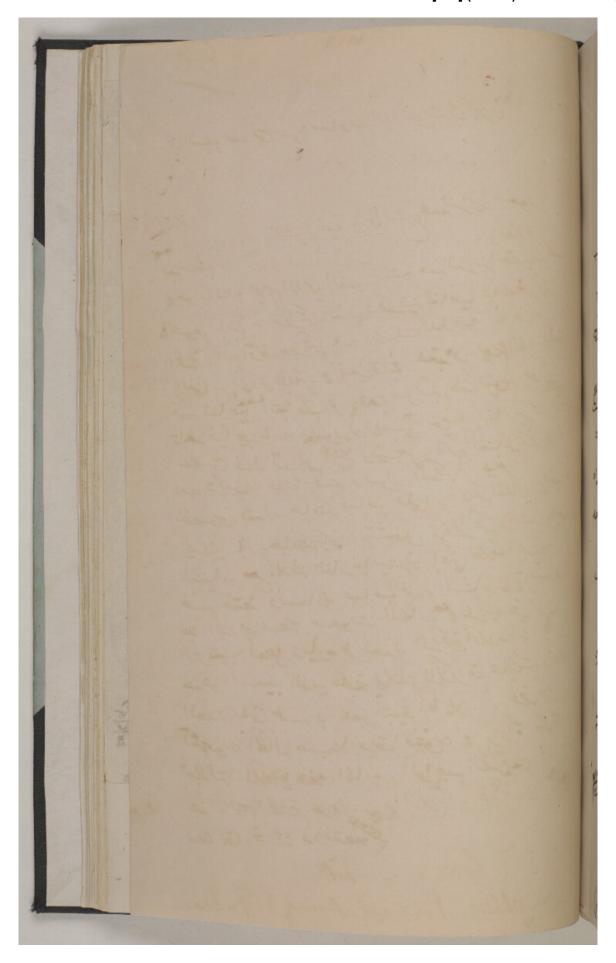
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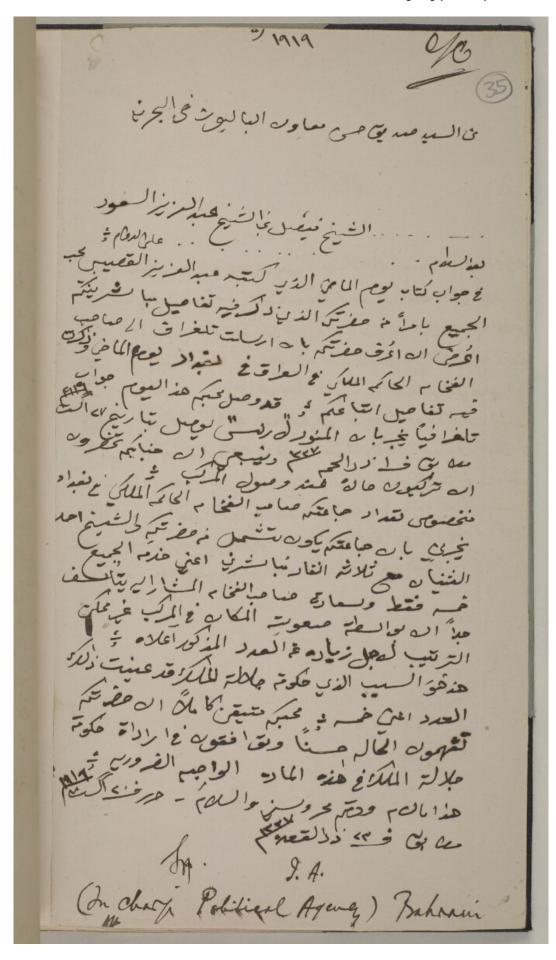
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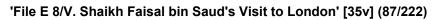


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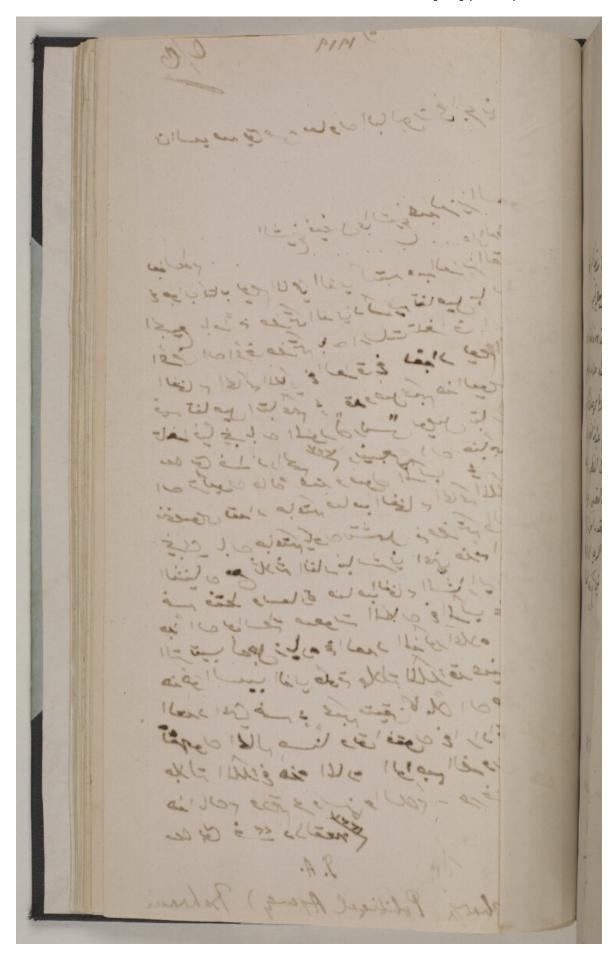


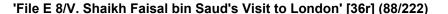




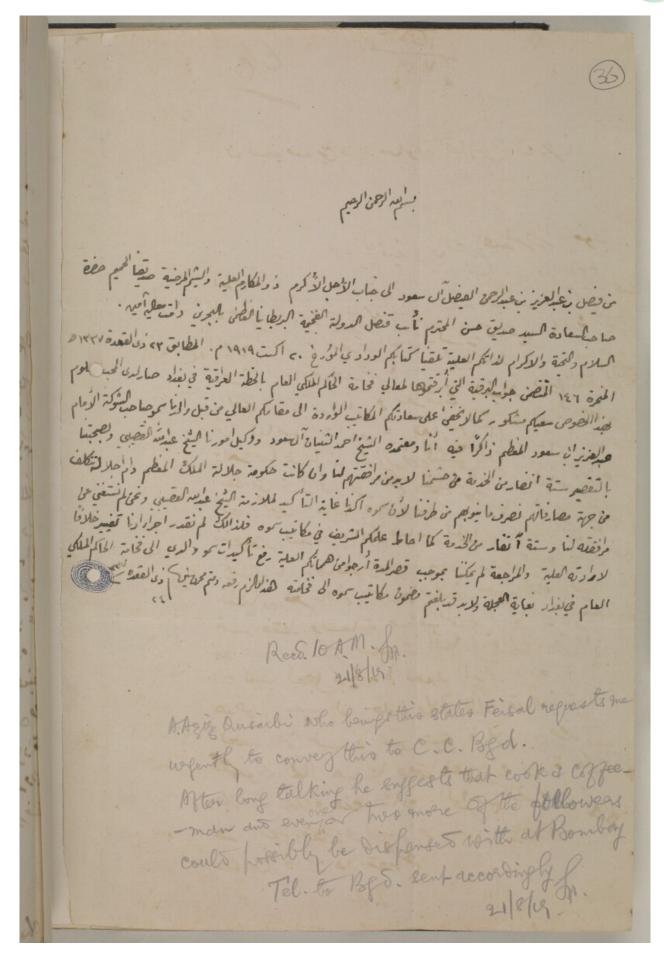






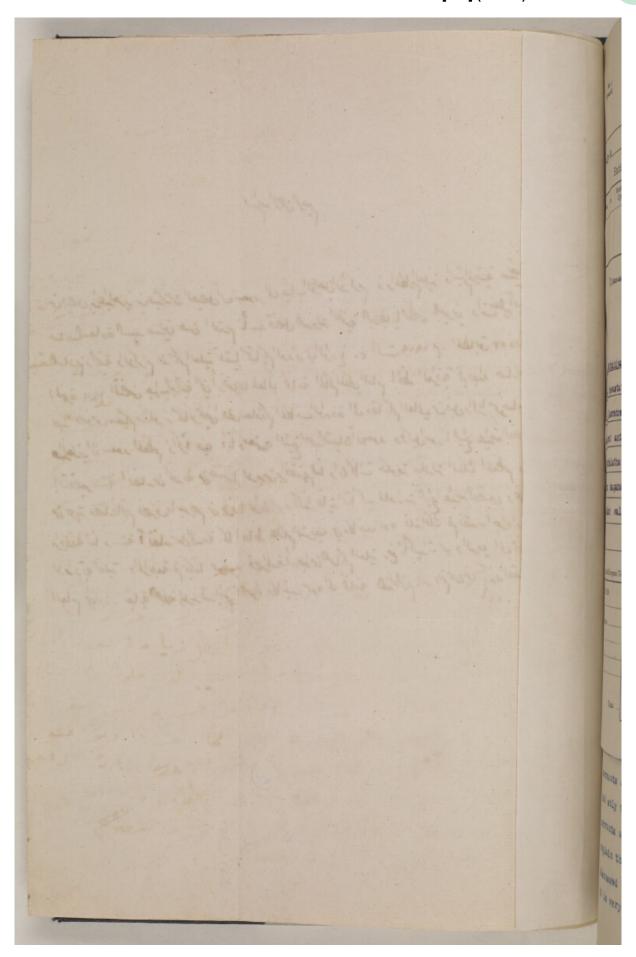








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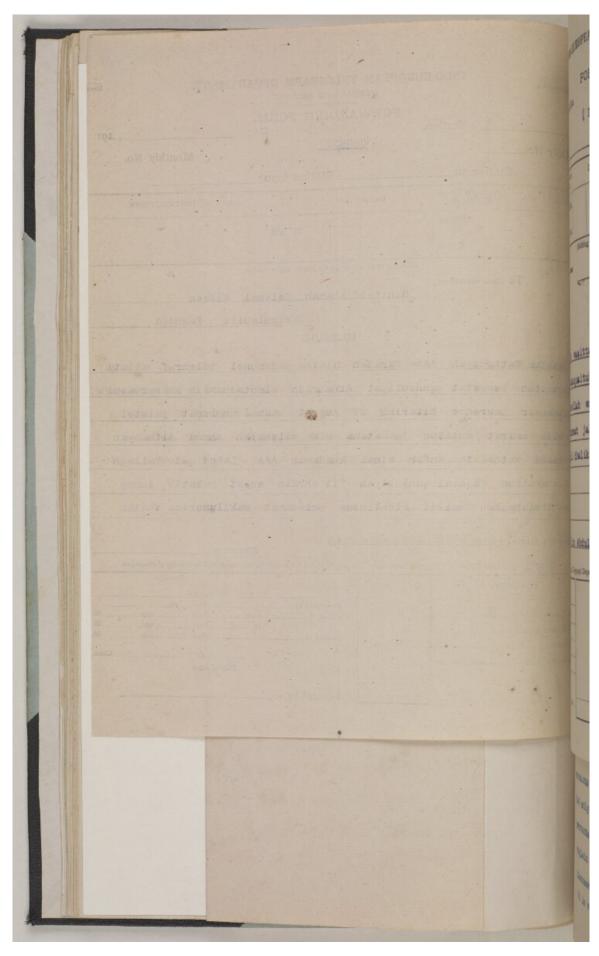


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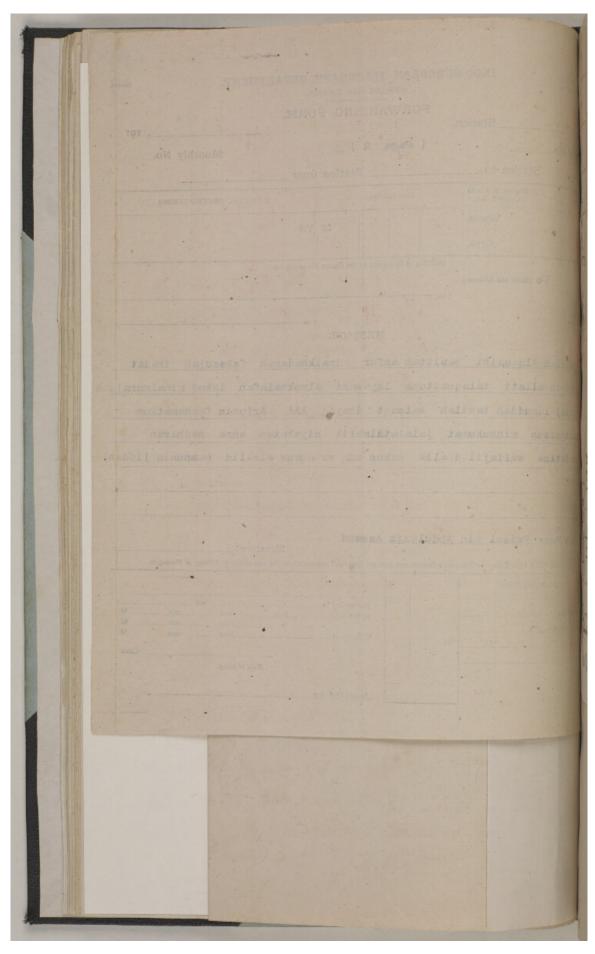


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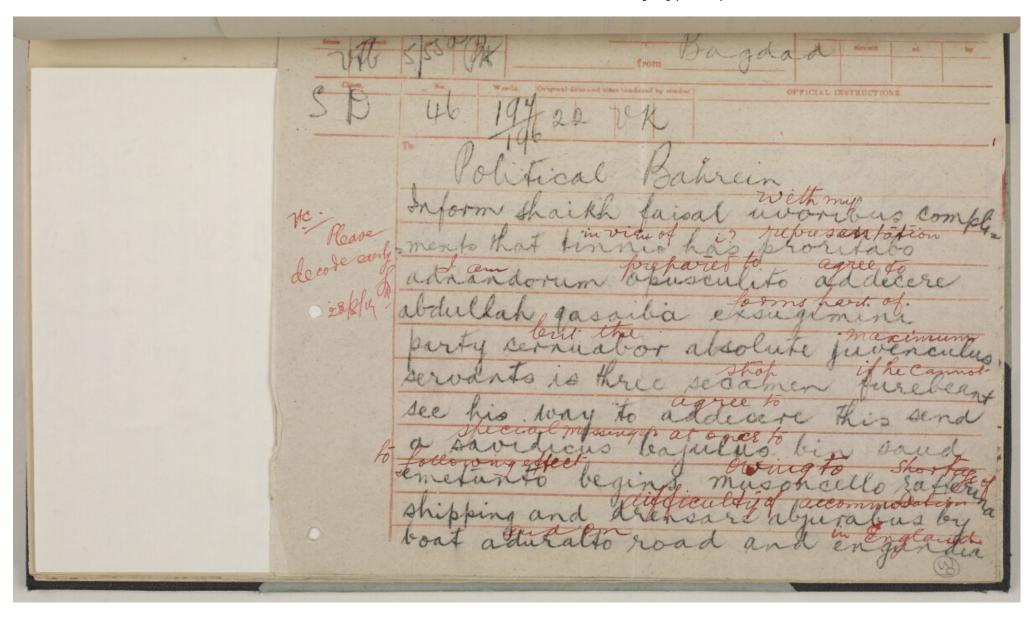


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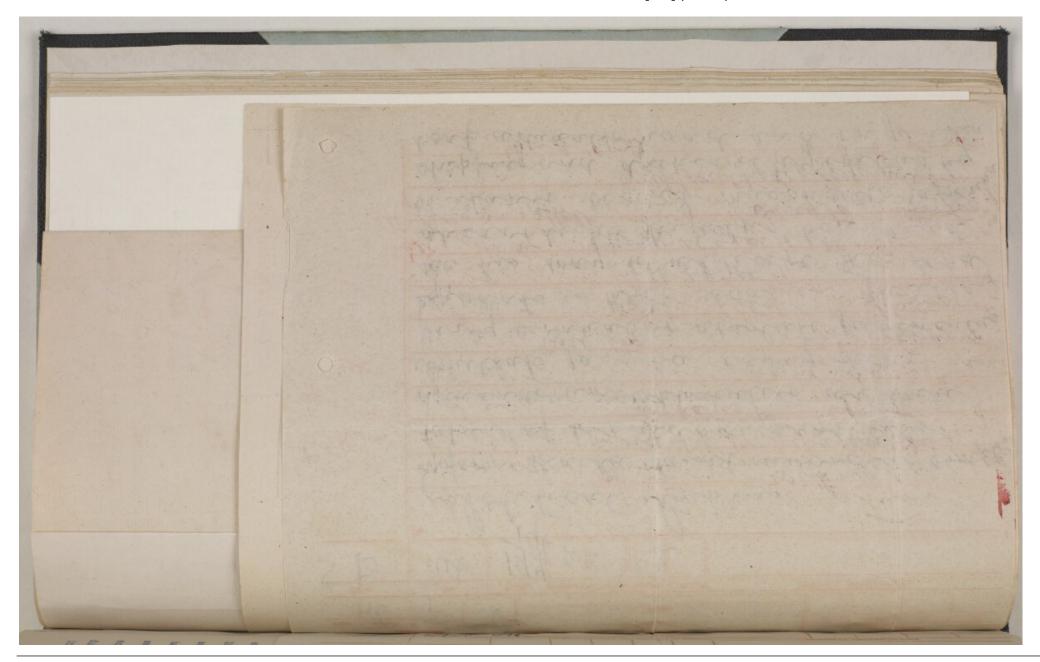


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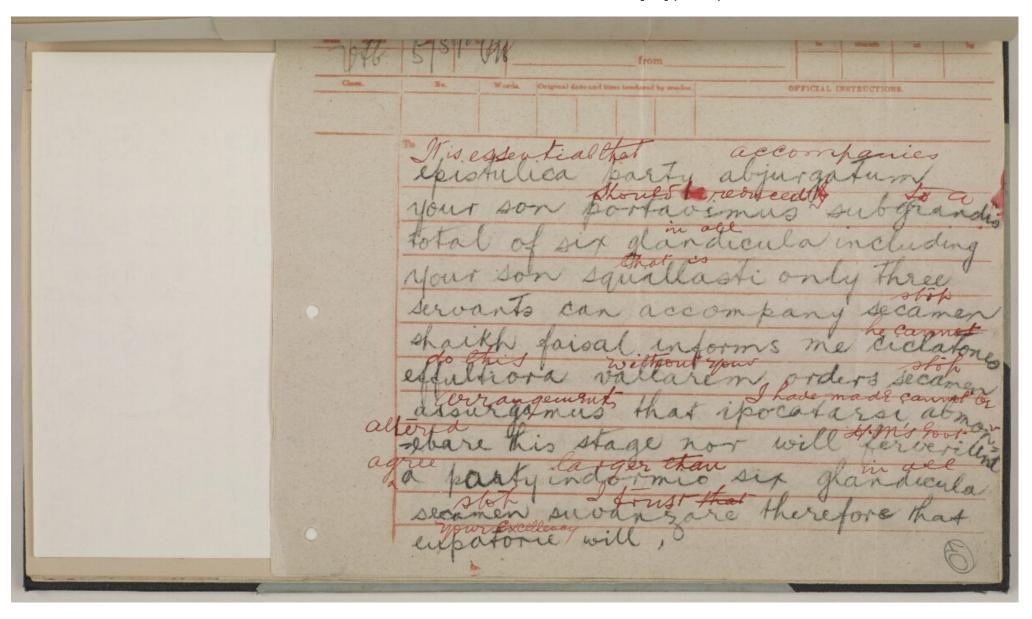


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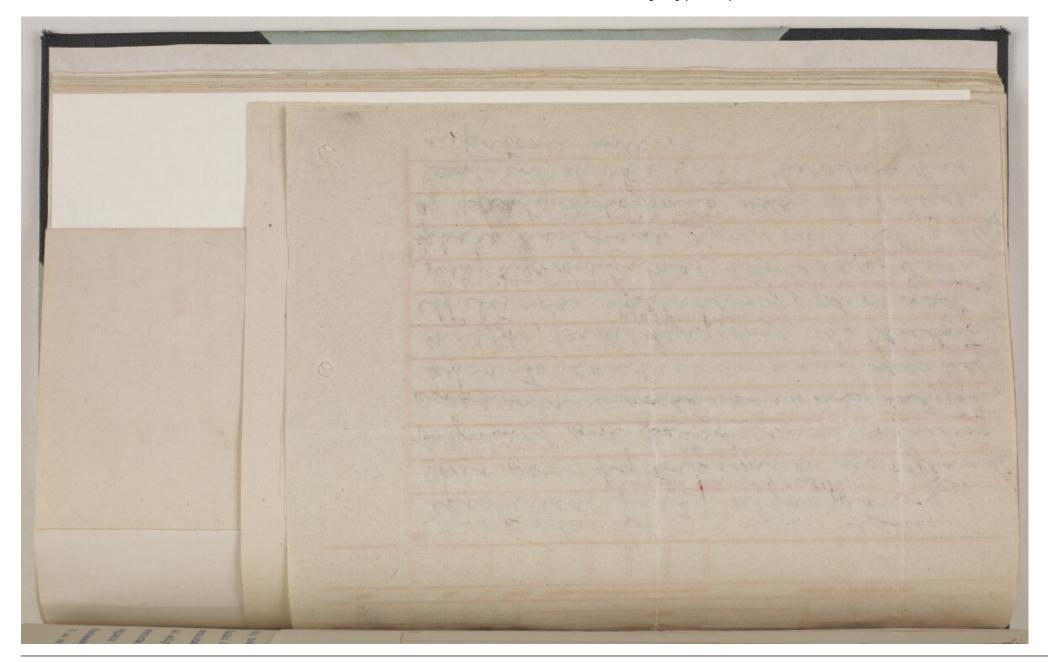


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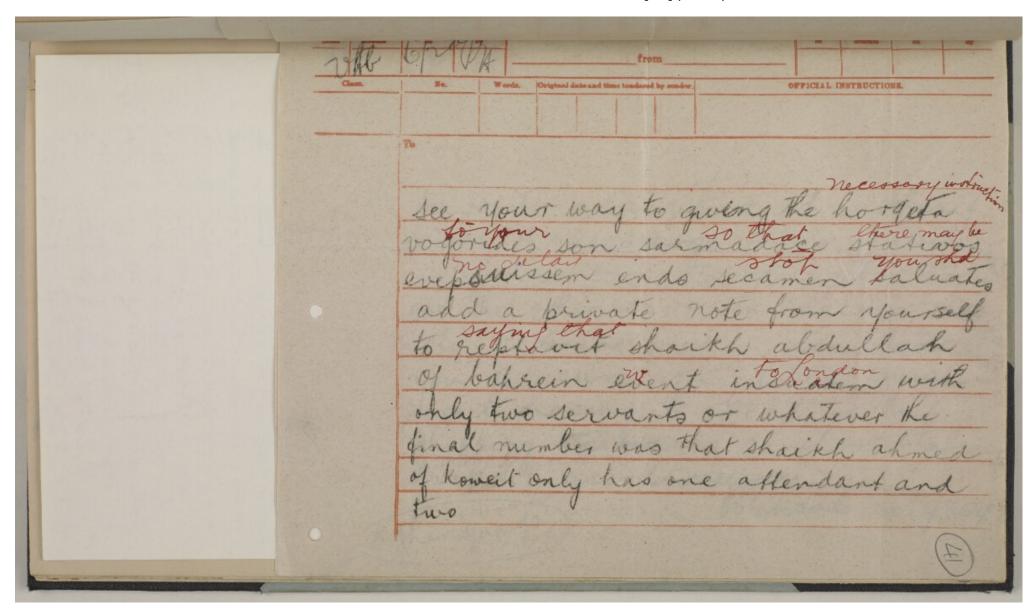


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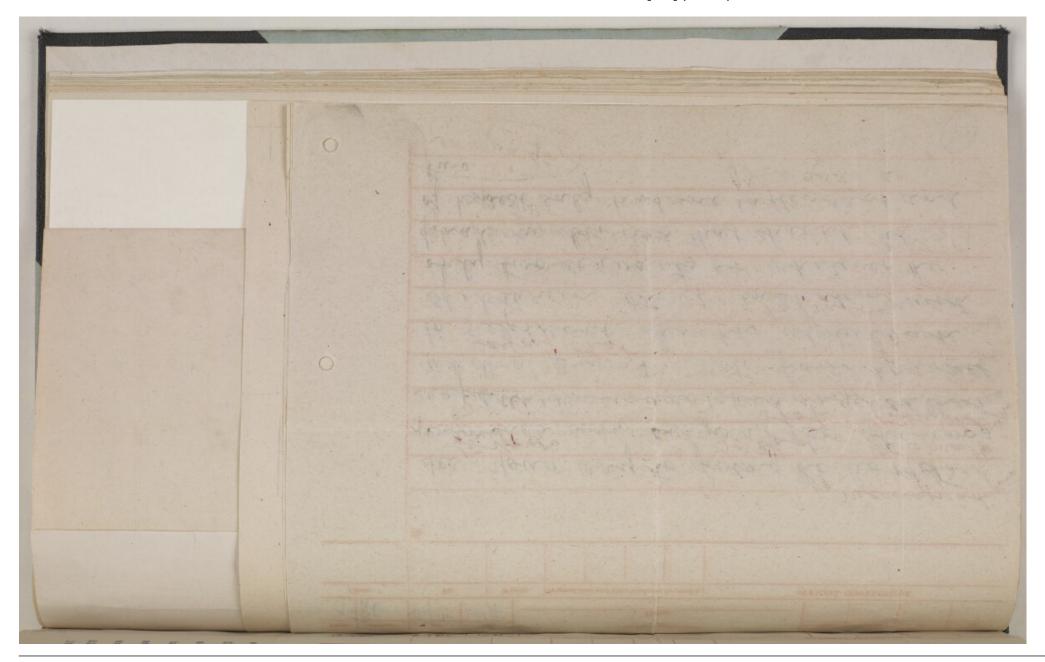


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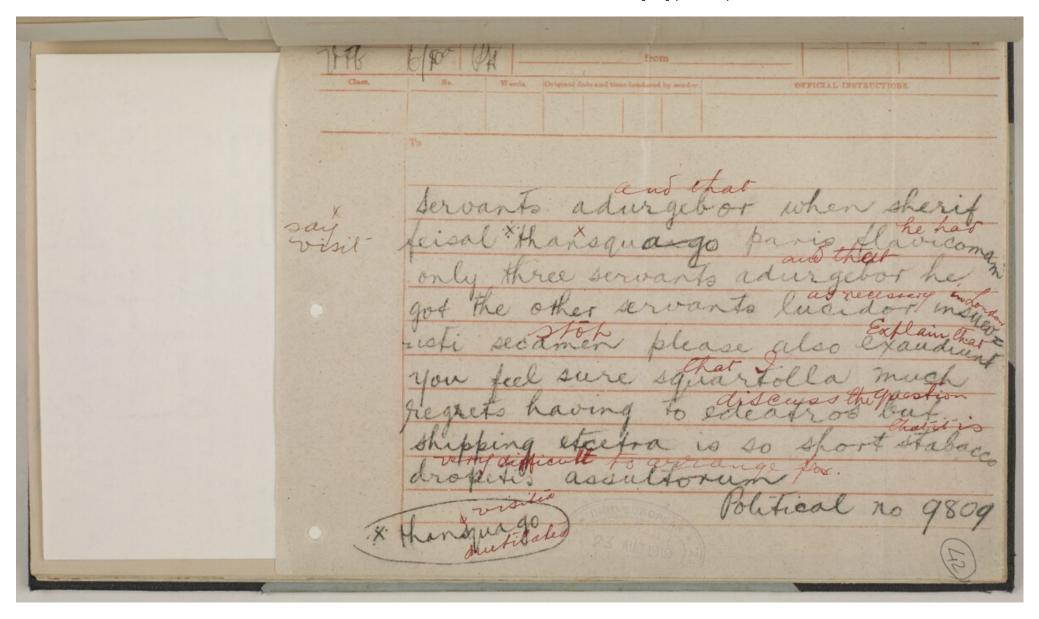


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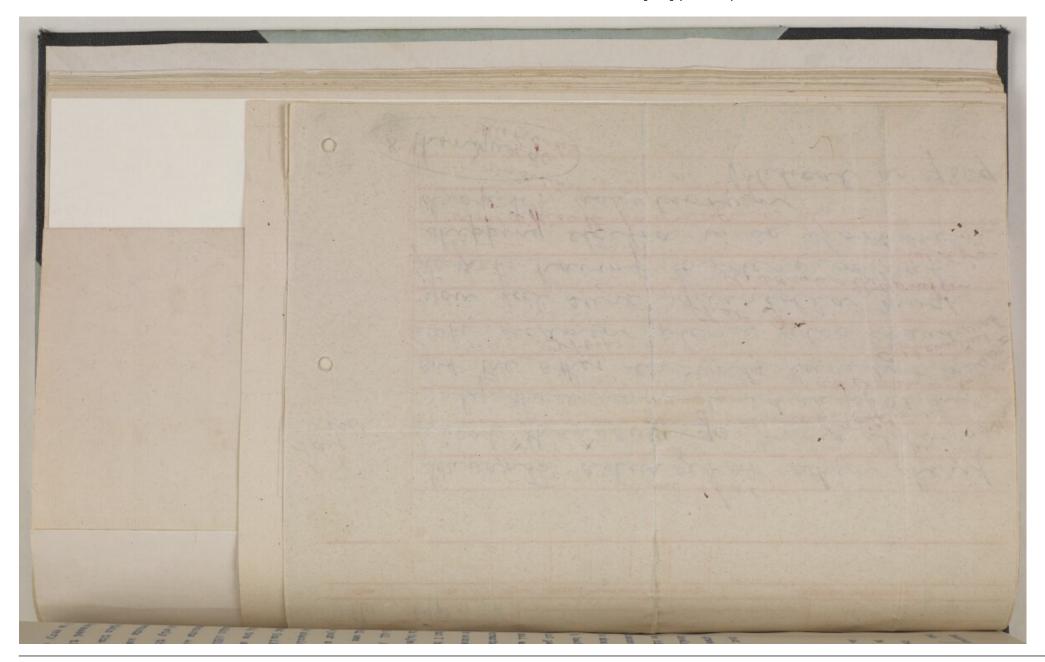


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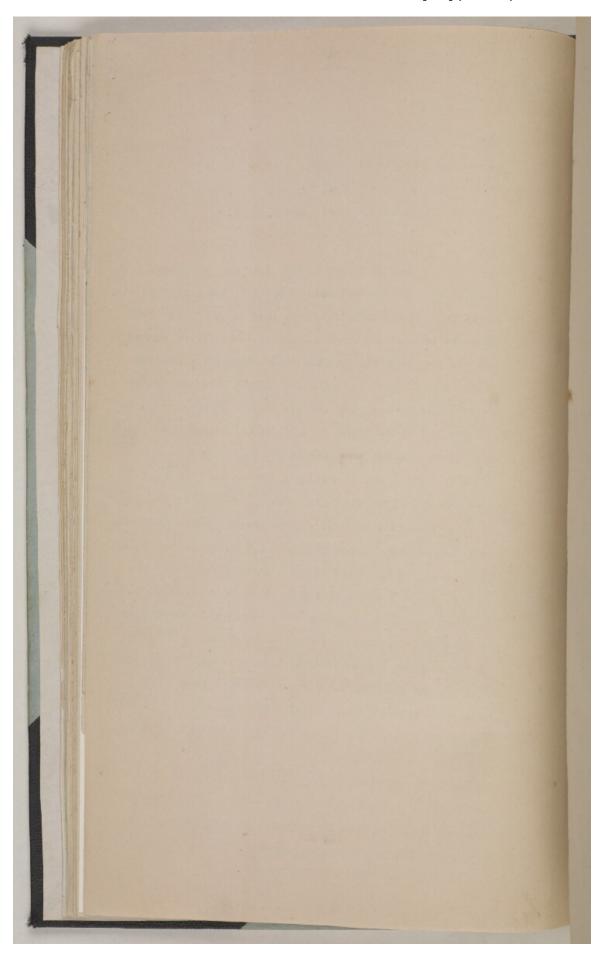


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Telegram) Cede Pelitical Baghdad Pelitical Bahrain No. 9809 , dated 22nd August, 1919, and Received 23rd August, 1919. Inform Shaikh FAISAL with my complimentah that in view of his representation I am prepared to agree to ABDULLAH QUSAIBI forms part of party but the absolute maximum servants is three AAA If he cannot see his way to agree to this send a special messanger atence to BIN SAUD to fellowing effect (begins) Owing to shortage of shipping and difficulty of accommodation by beat and en read and in England it is essential that party accompanying your sen should be reduced to a tetal of six in all including your son that is three servants can accompany AAA Shaikh FAISAL informs me he cannot de this without your orders AAA Arrangements that I have made cannot be altered this stage ner will His Majestys Gevernment agree a party larger than six in all AAA I trust therefore that Your Excellency will see your way to giving the necessary instructions te yeur sen se that there may be ne delay (ENDS) AAA You should add a private note from your self to saying that Shaikh ABDULLAH of Bahrain went to Lendon with enly two servants or whatever the final number was that Shaikh AHMAD of KUWEIT only has one attendant and two servants and that when Sharif FAISAL visited Paris he had only three servants and that he get the ether servants as necessary in Lenden AAA Please alse explain that you feel sure that I much regret having to discussed the questien shipping etc. is so short that it is very difficult to arrange. for. _____

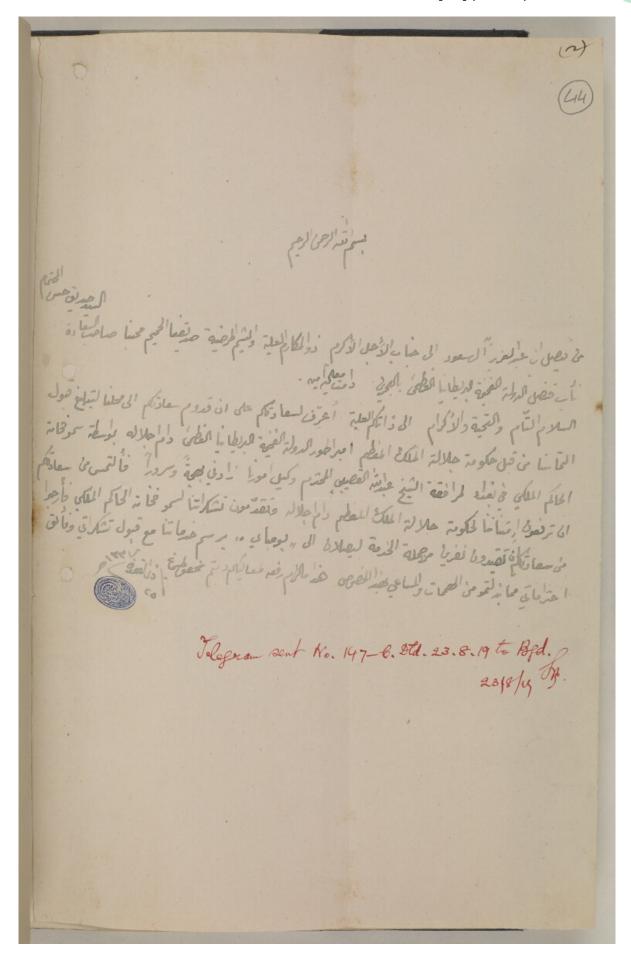


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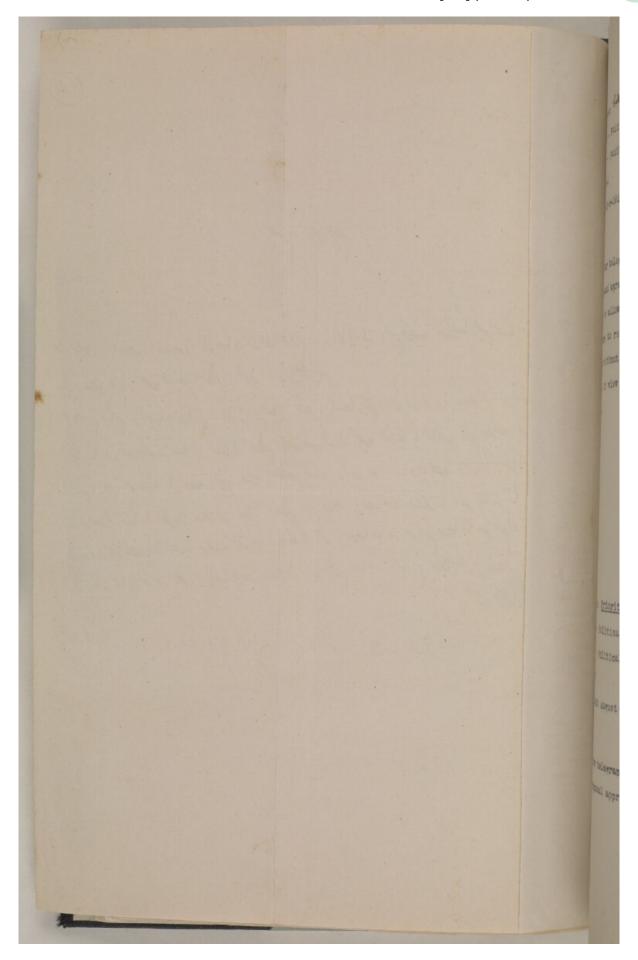


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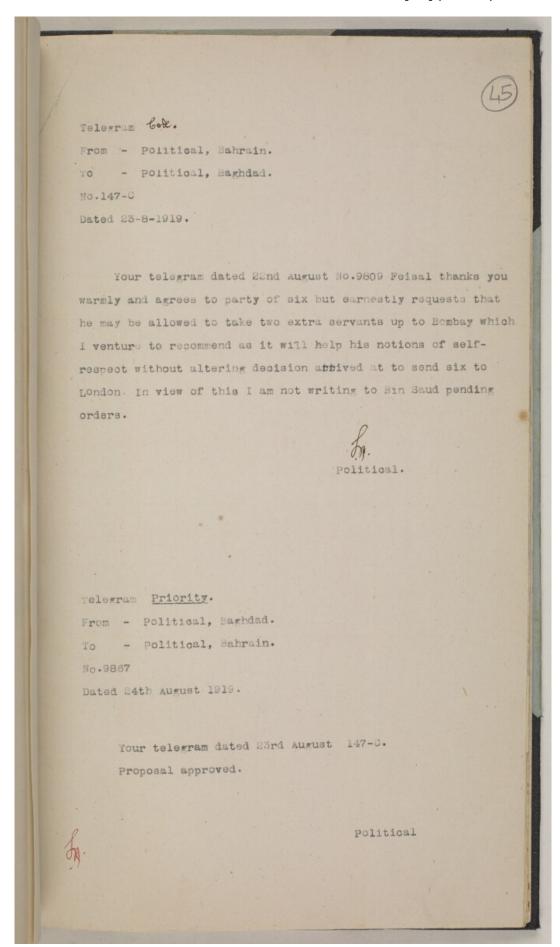


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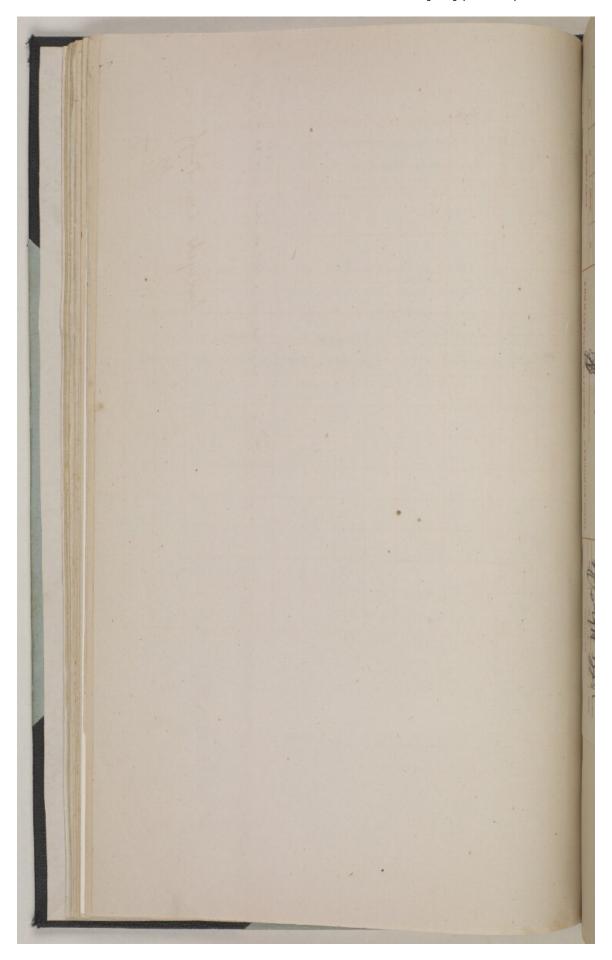


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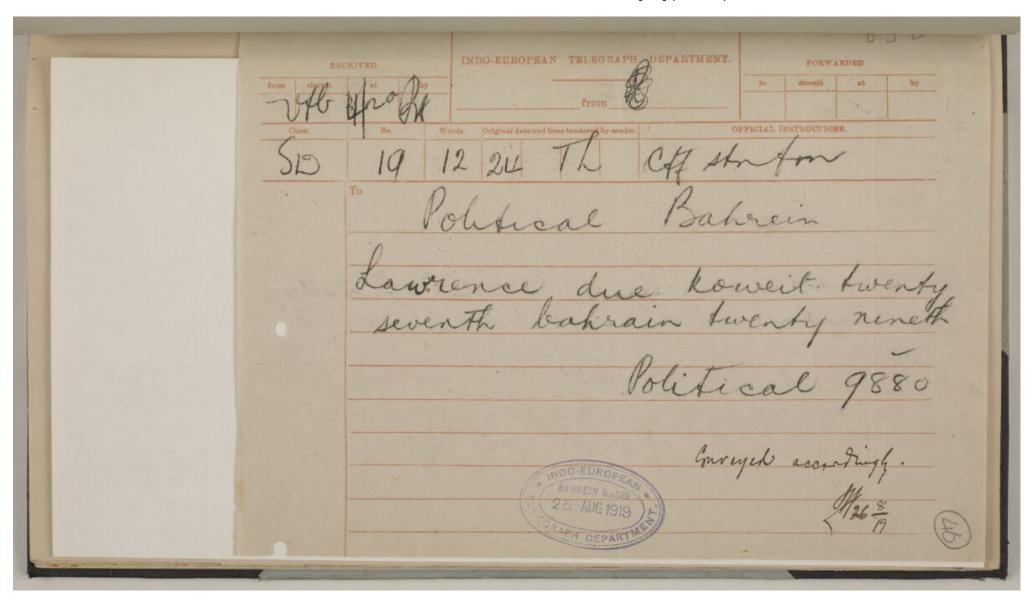


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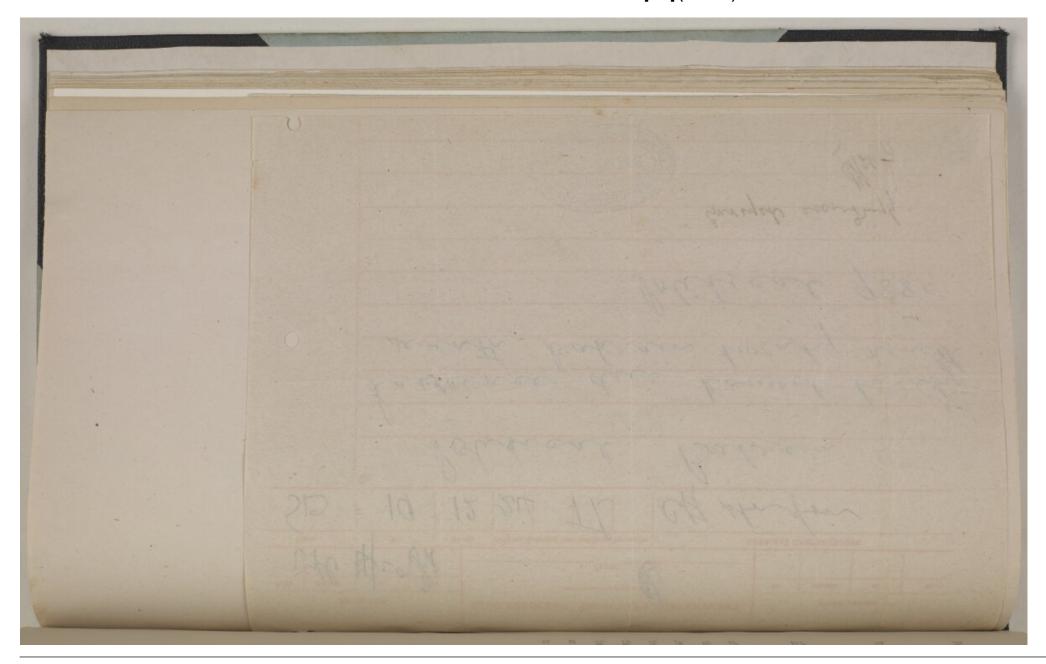


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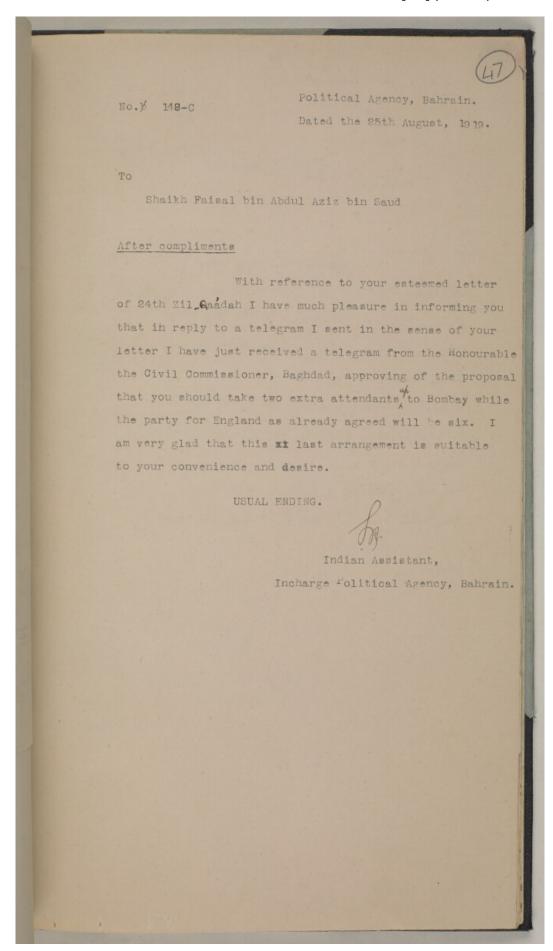


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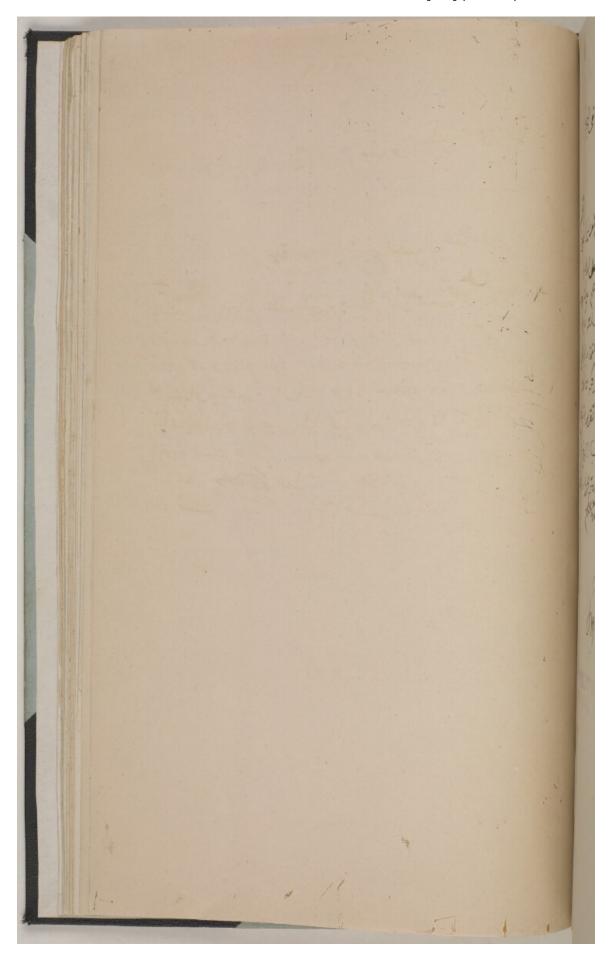


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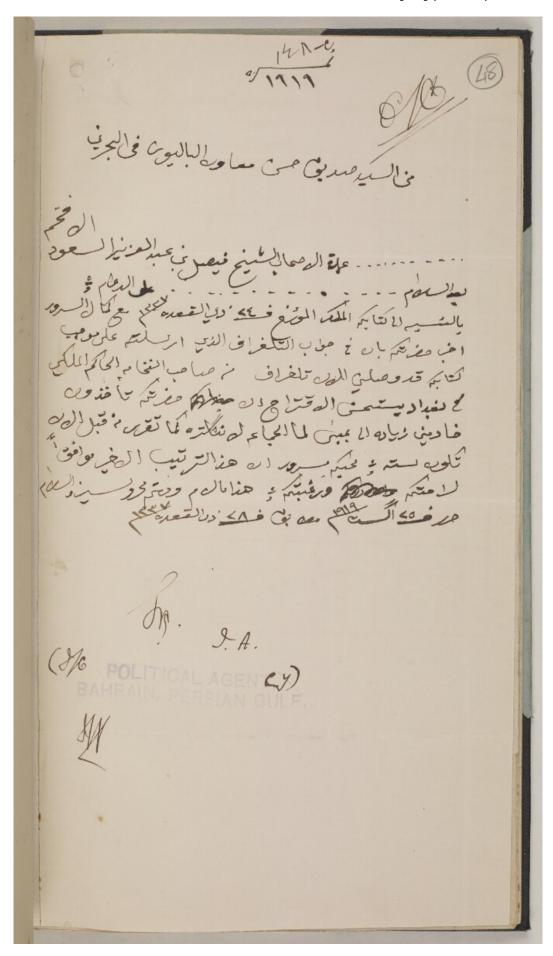


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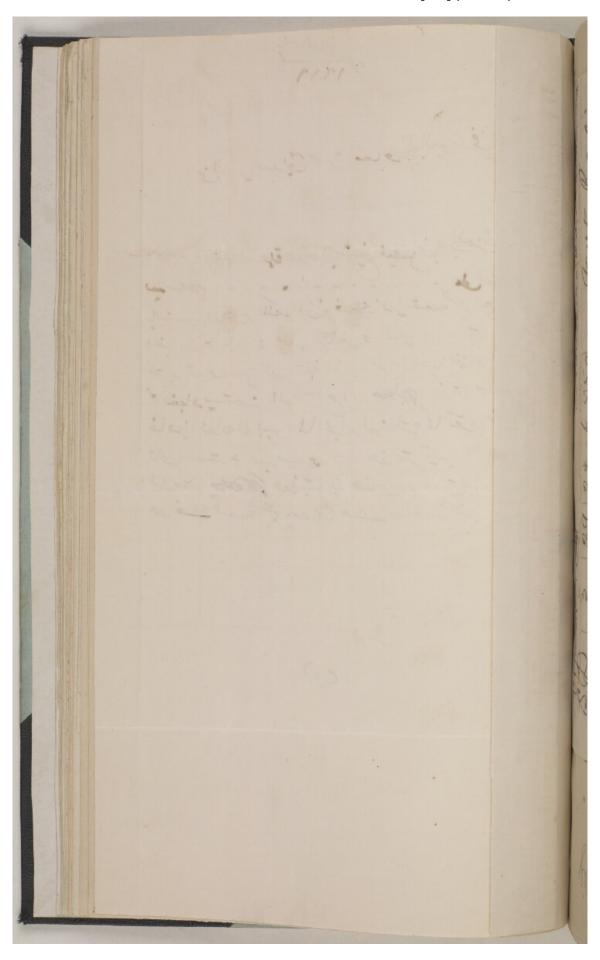


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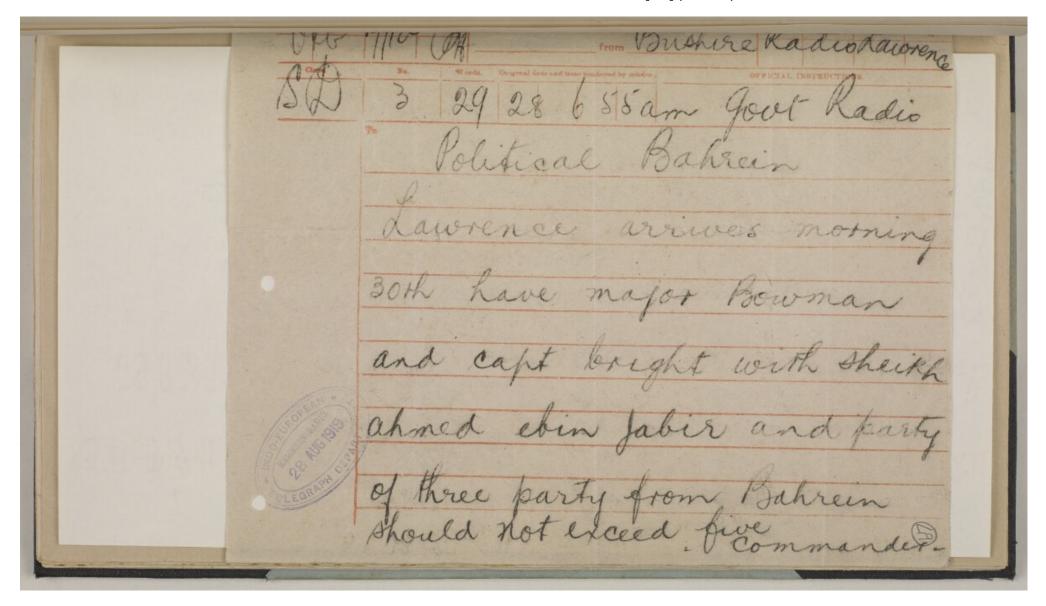


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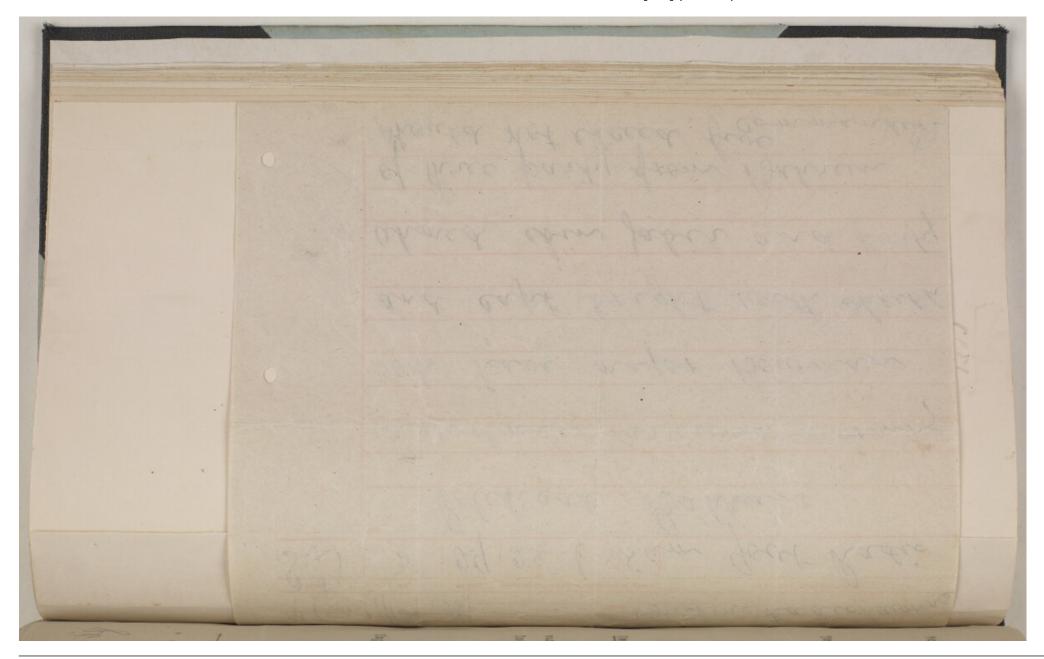


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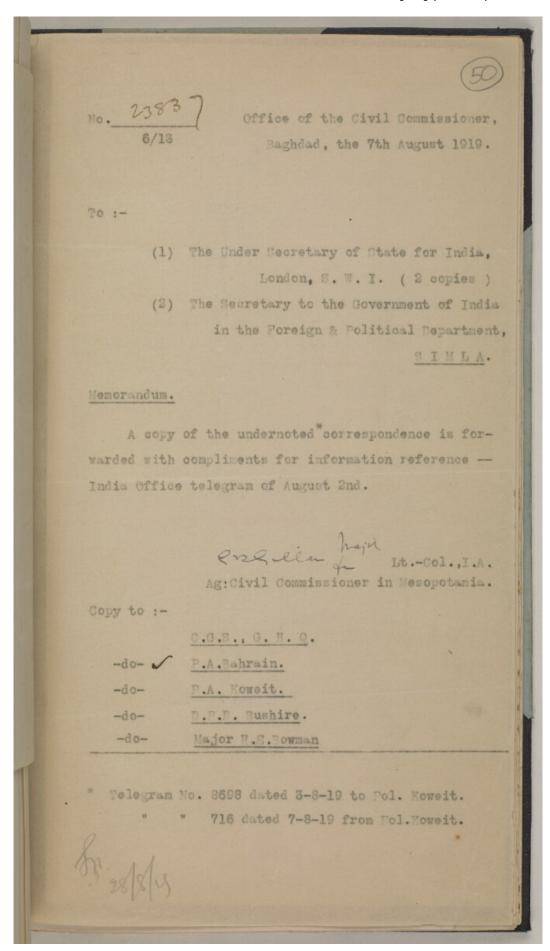


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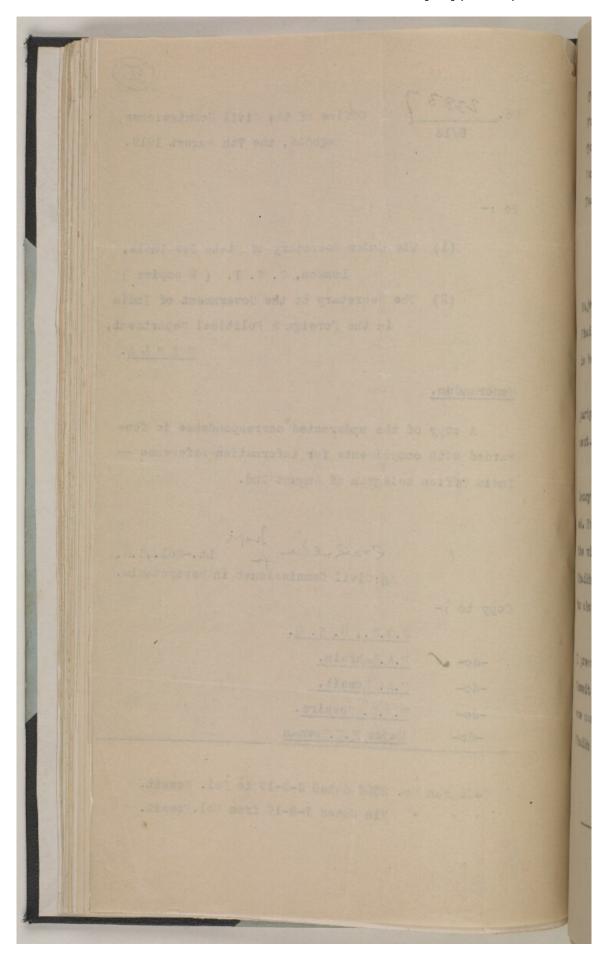


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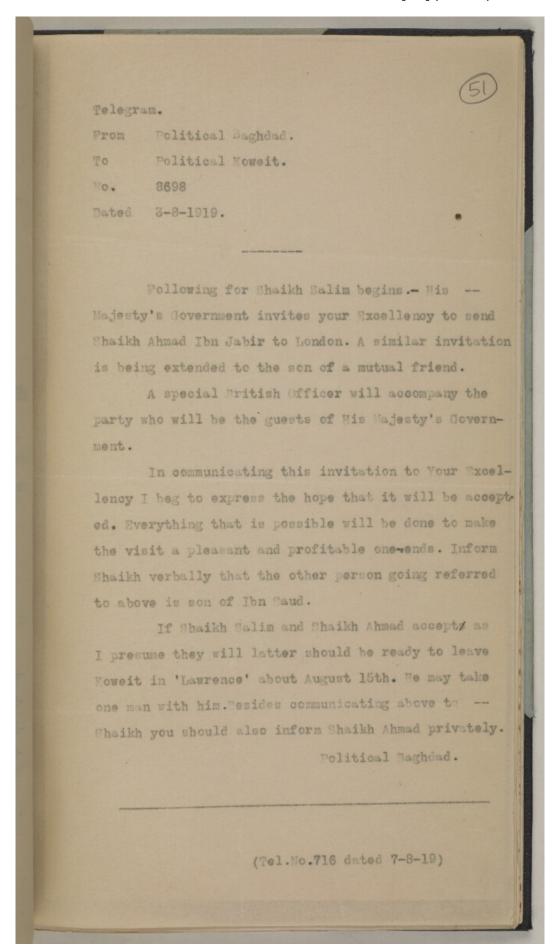


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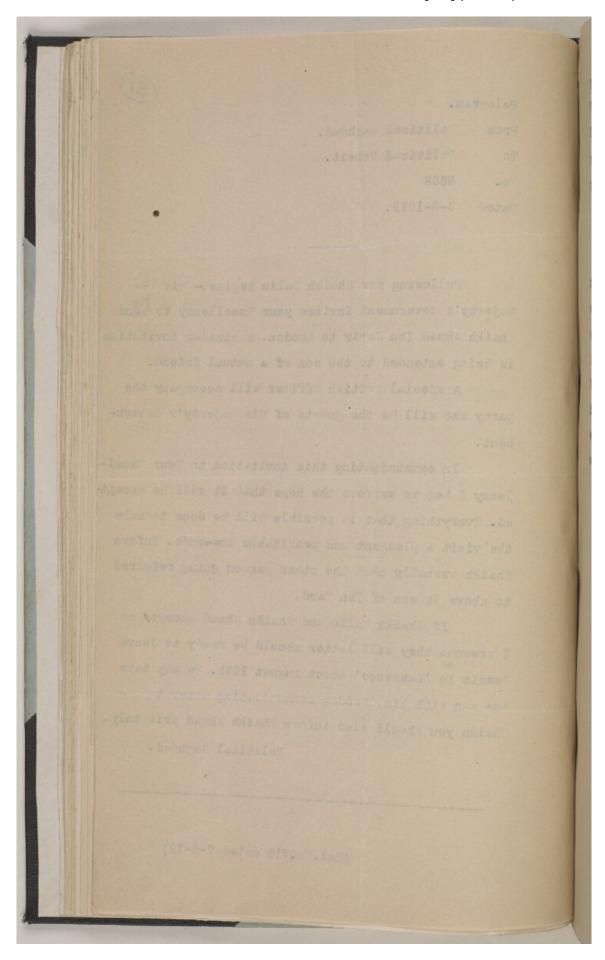


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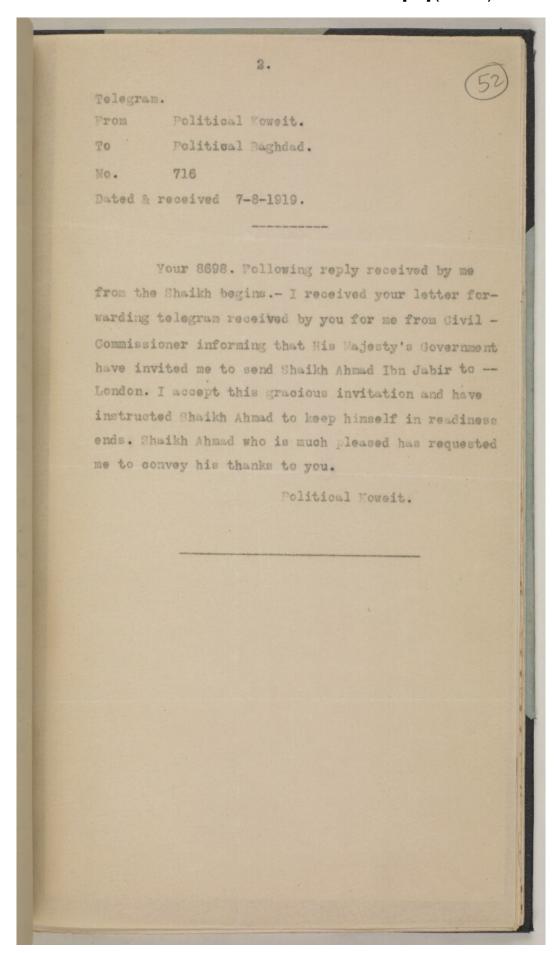


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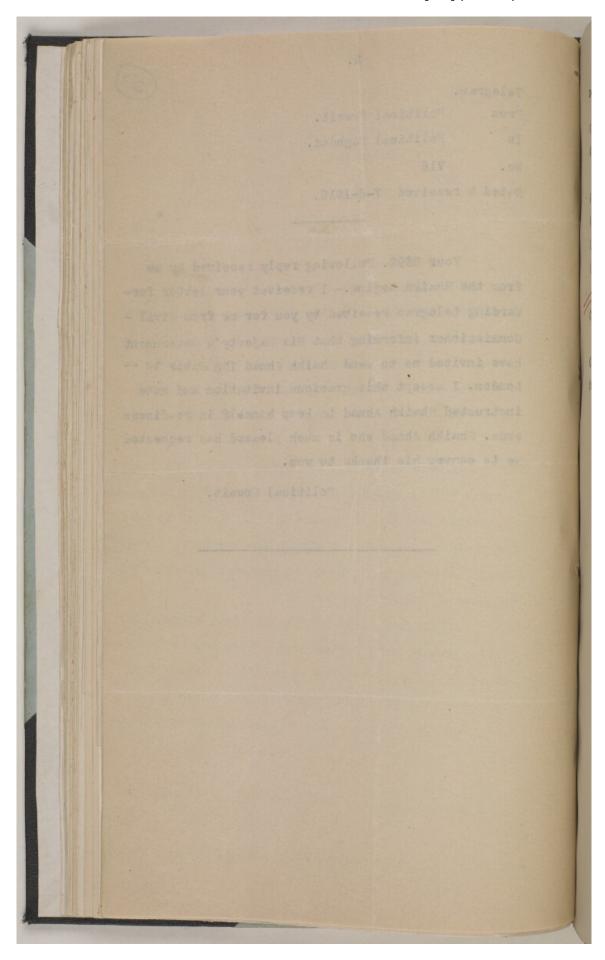


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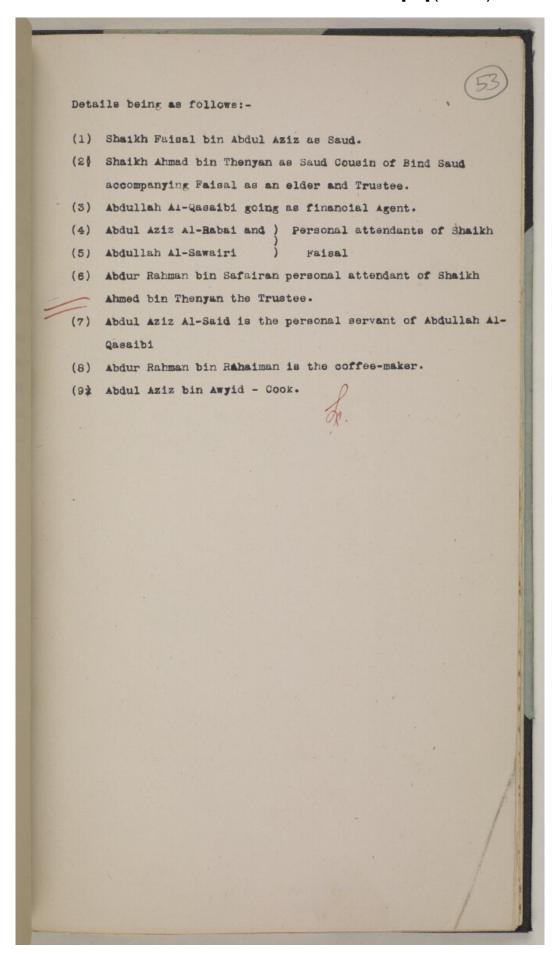


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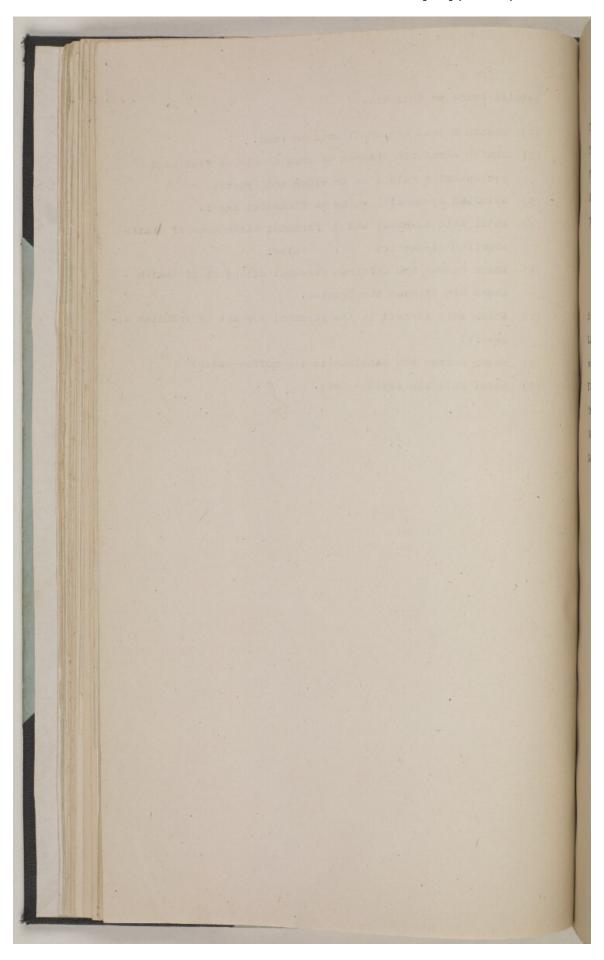


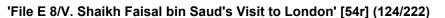
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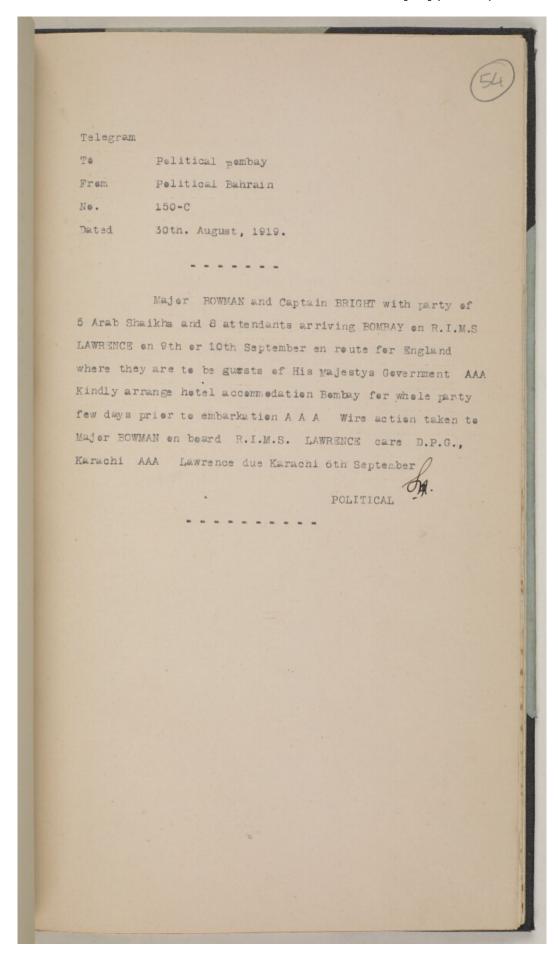


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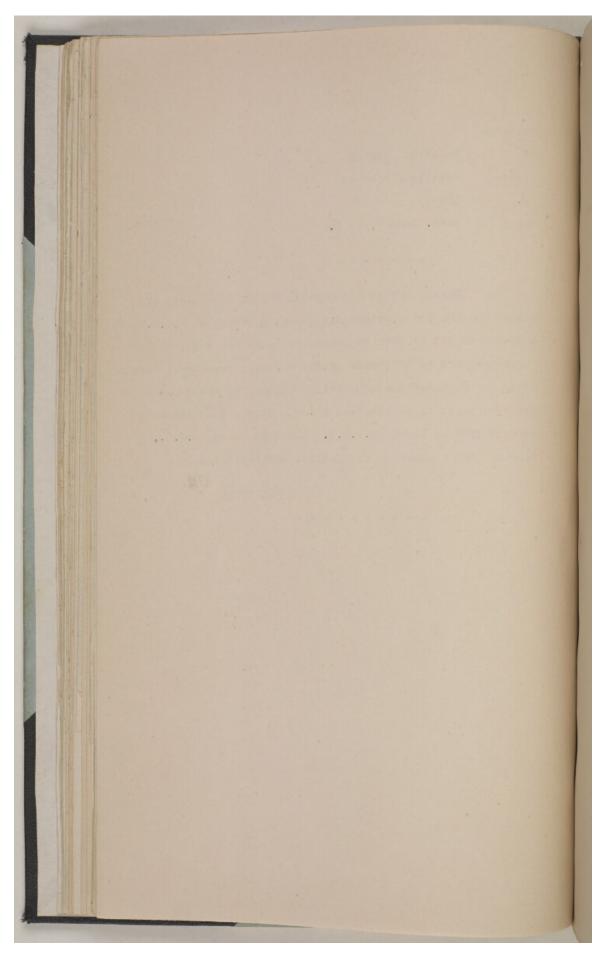






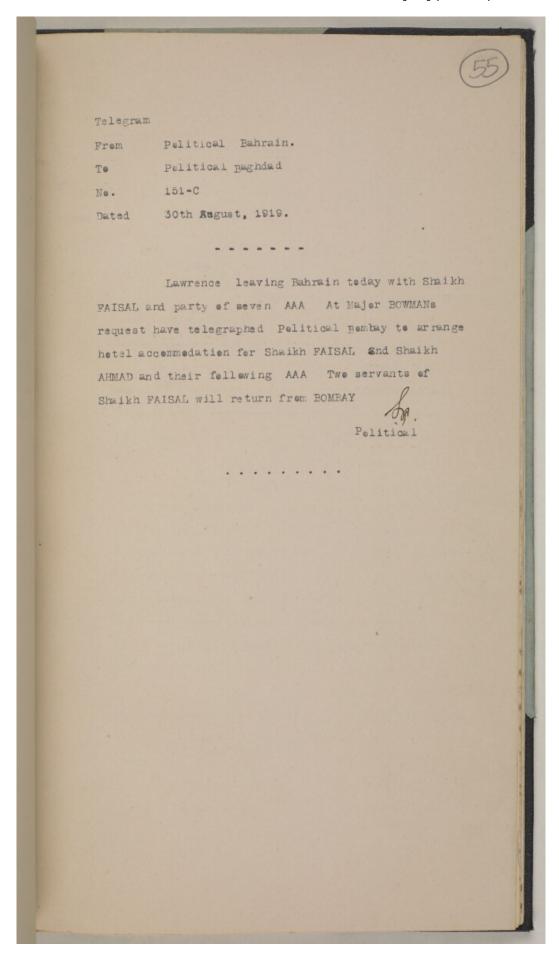


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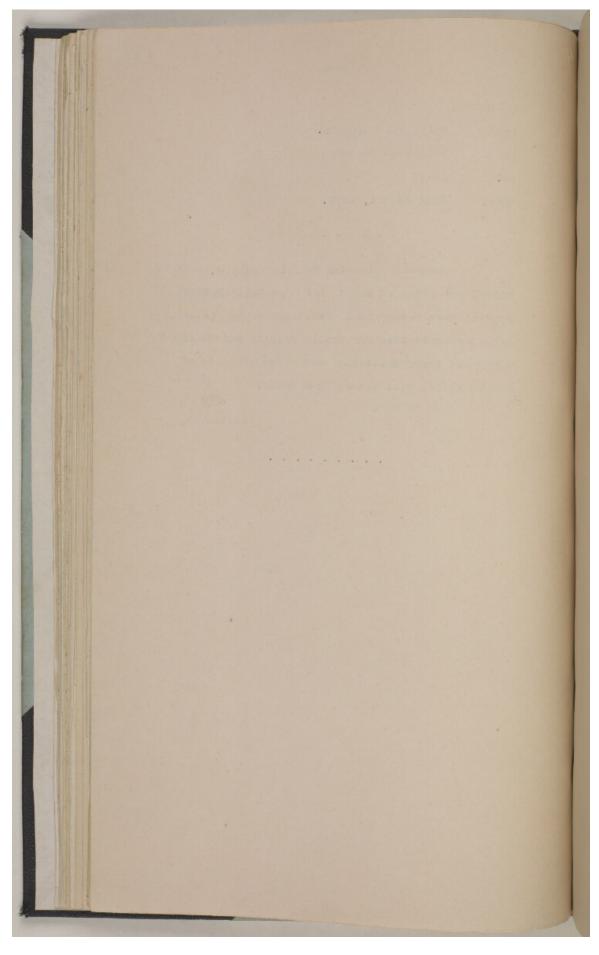
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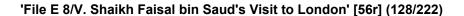




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No. 152-C

Political Agency, Bahrain.
Dated the 1st September, 19.

To

BIN SAUD.

After Compliments

I am very glad to inform Your Excellency that your son Shaikh Faisal and his party arrived in Bahrain safely and after some days' stay which he enjoyed and which benifitted his health, the party embarked on the R.I.M.S."Lawrence" on 30th August, 1919. They will, in-sha-Allah, reach Bombay on the 9th September, and re-embark for London after two or three days' stay in Bombay.

It gives me great pleasure to inform

Your Excellency that in deference to your wishes which

I conveyed telegraphically to the Honourable the Civil

Commissioner, Baghdad, Abdullah bin Hasah Qusaibi was
allowed to go with Shaikh Faisal and also the number of
his party was fixed in accordance with his own wishes.

Major Bowman, who accompanies the party is a very able
and considerate officer and that Your Excellency may be
quite sure that he will fully look after your son and
secure all the necessary comfort and convenience for them.

I shall gladly transmit to Your Excellency all news that I may receive from time to time about the welfare of Shaikh Faisal and his party whom may God preserve.

USUAL ENDING.

Indian Assistant,

Incharge Political Agency, Bahrain,

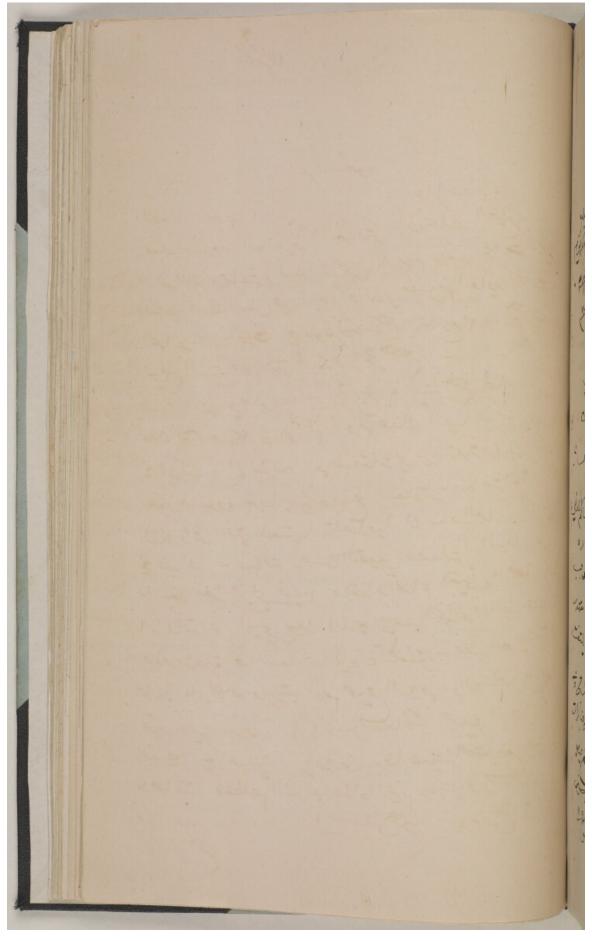
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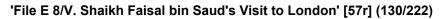
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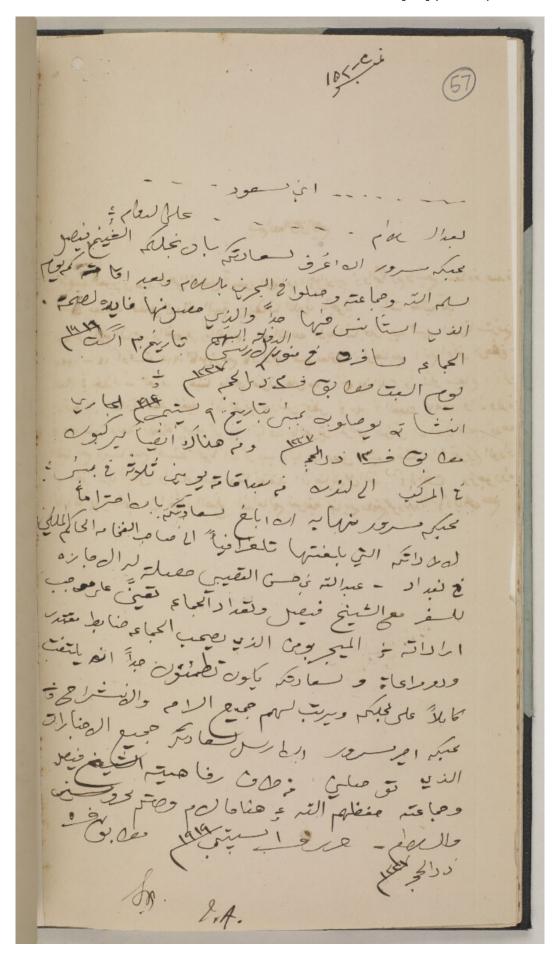
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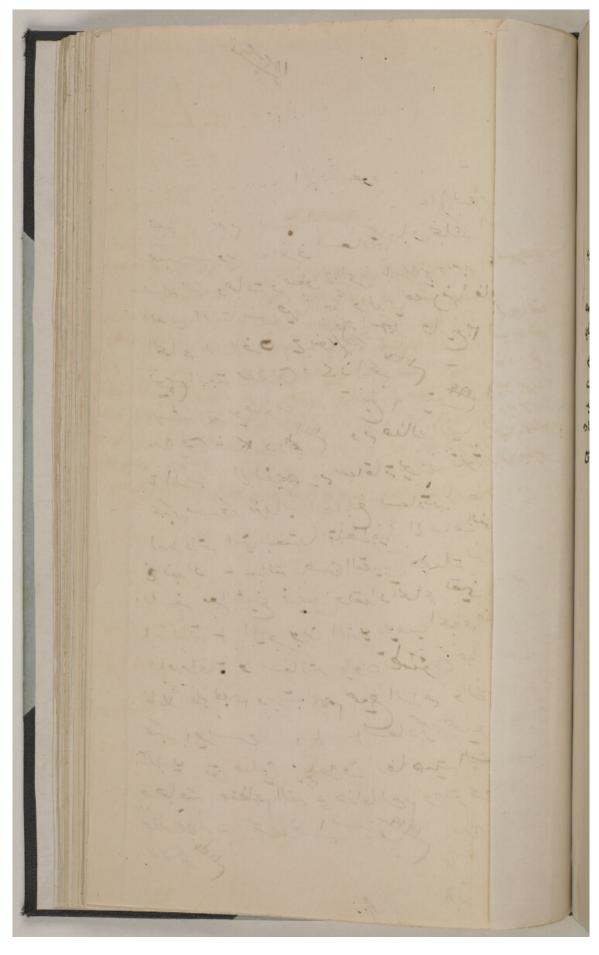




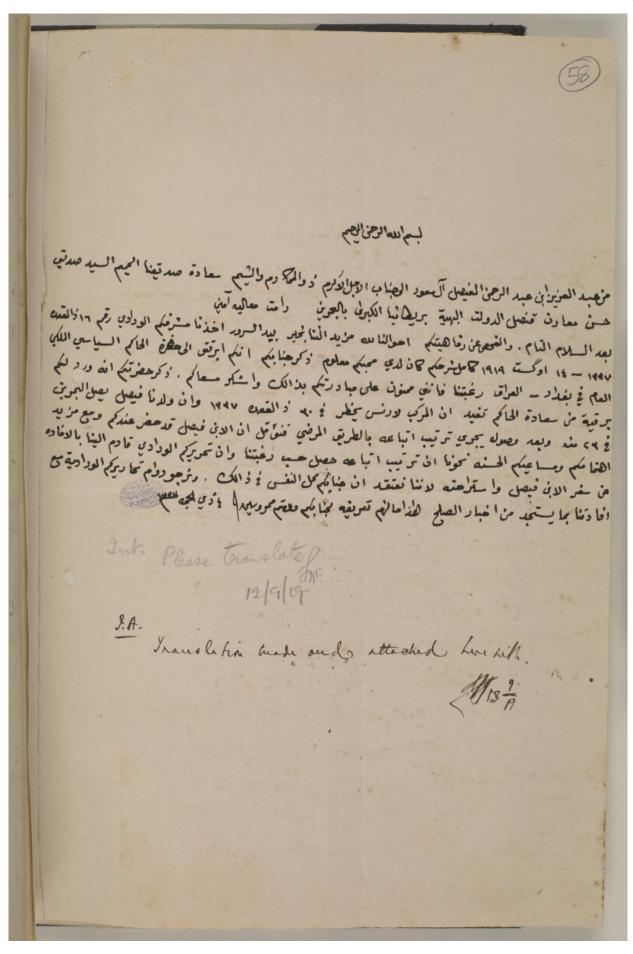


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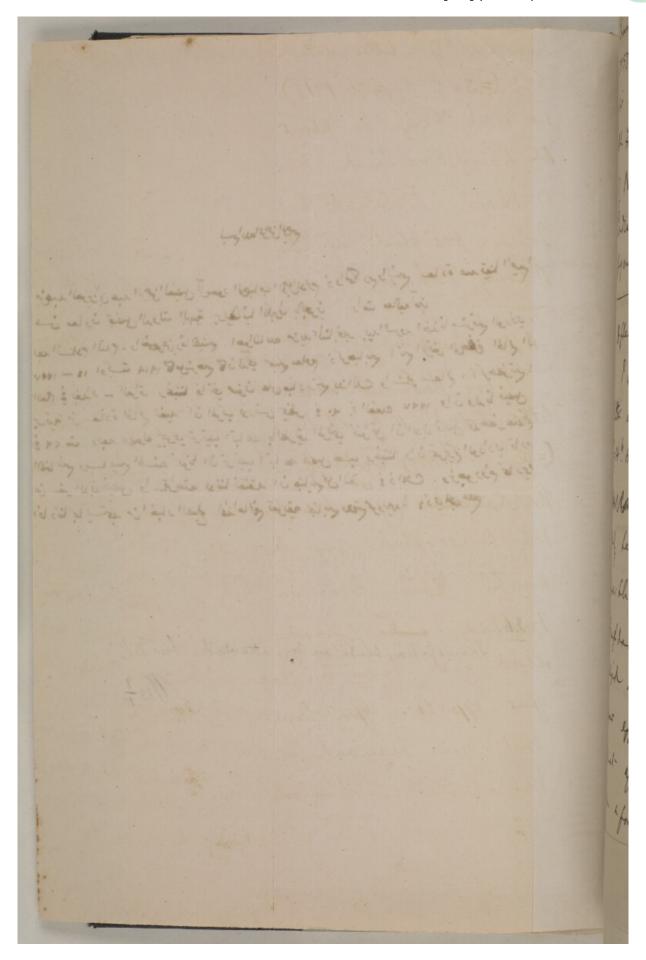




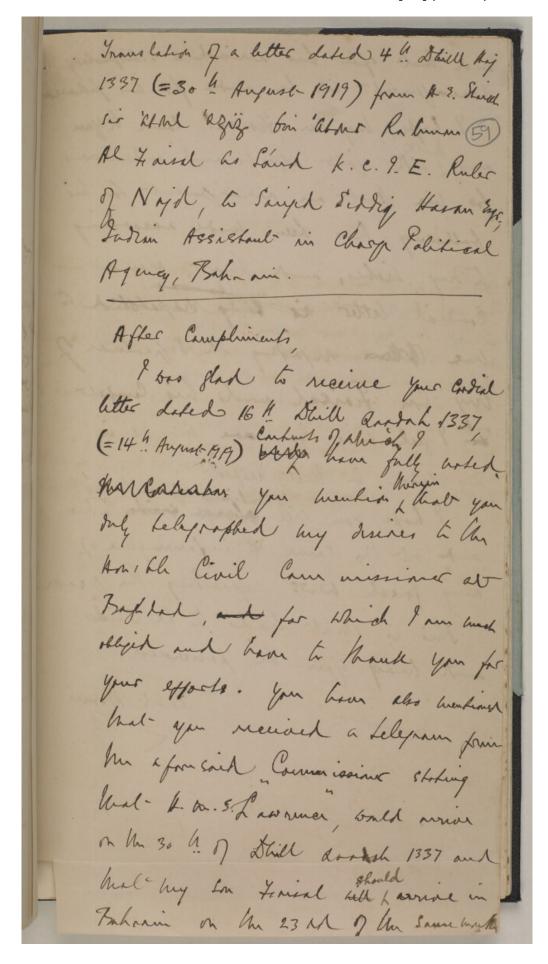


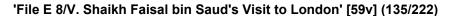


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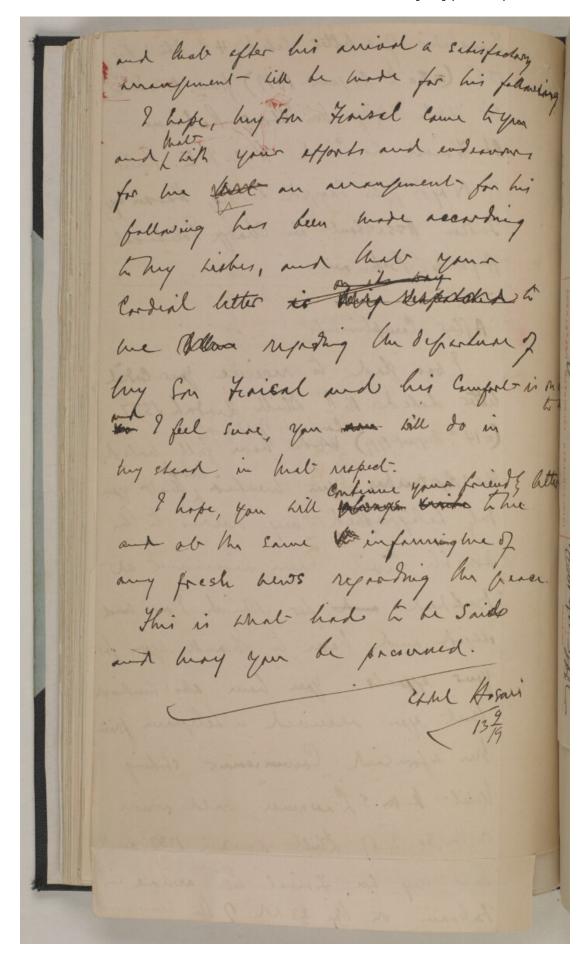






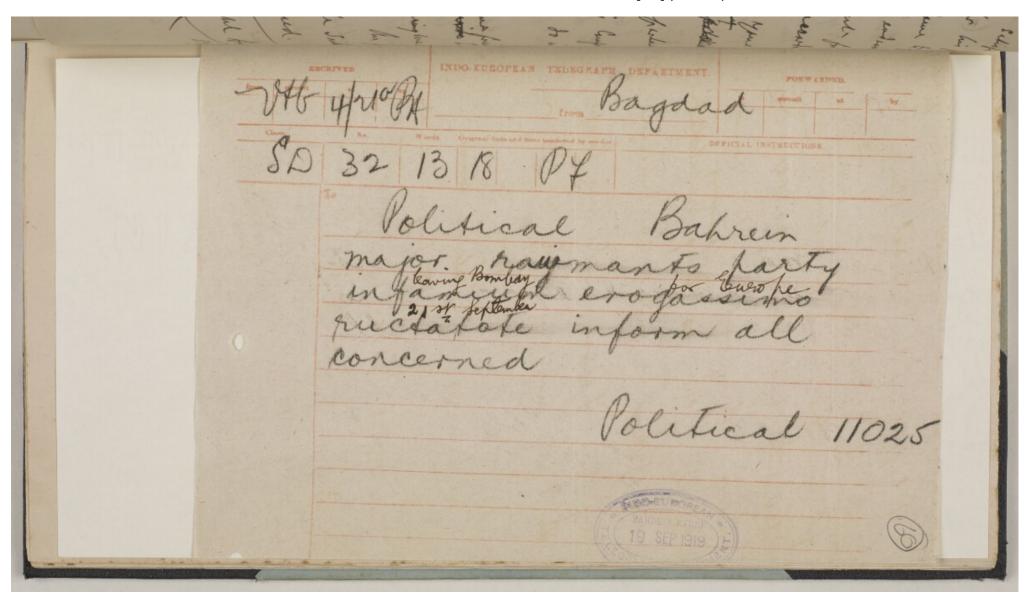






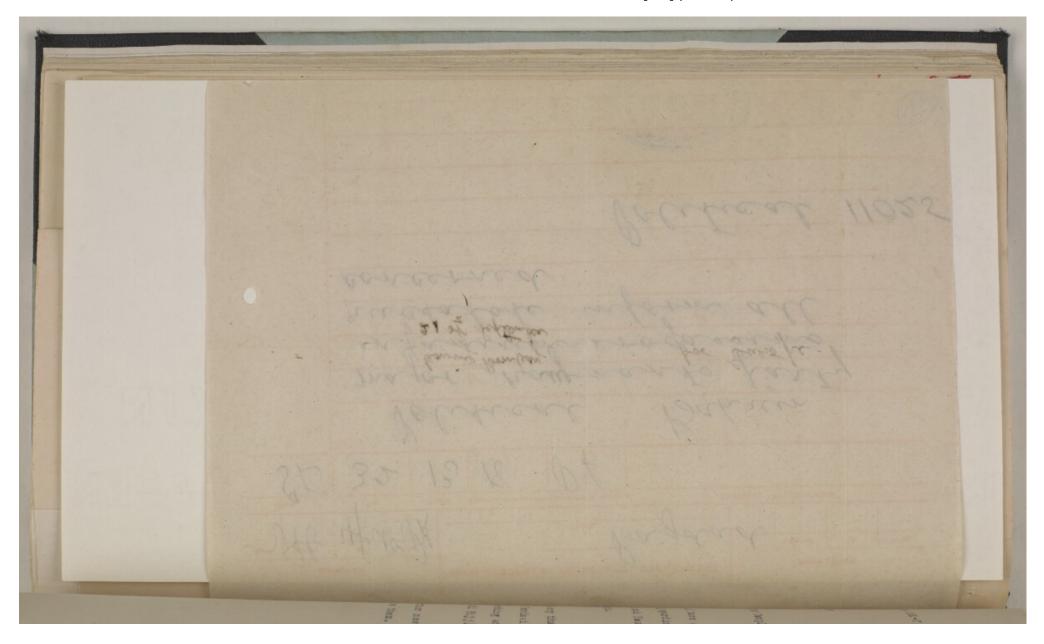


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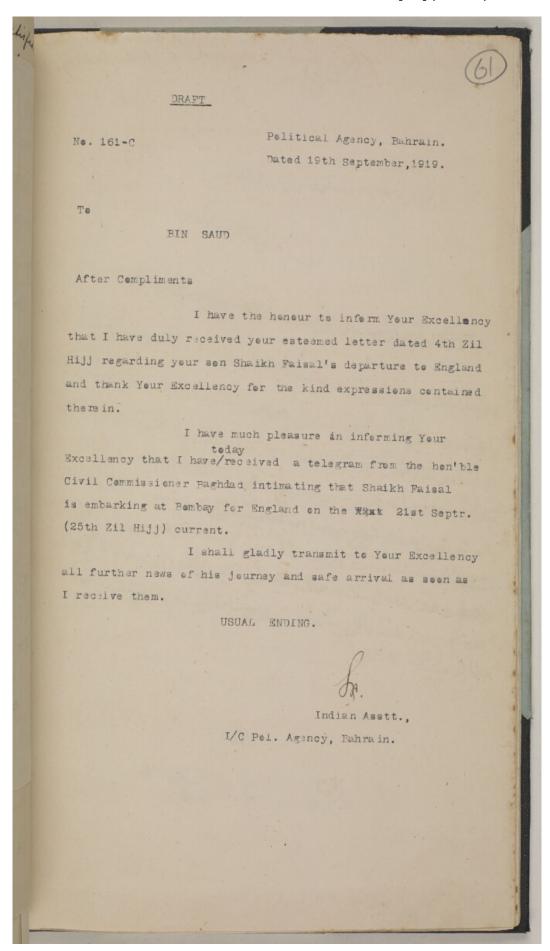


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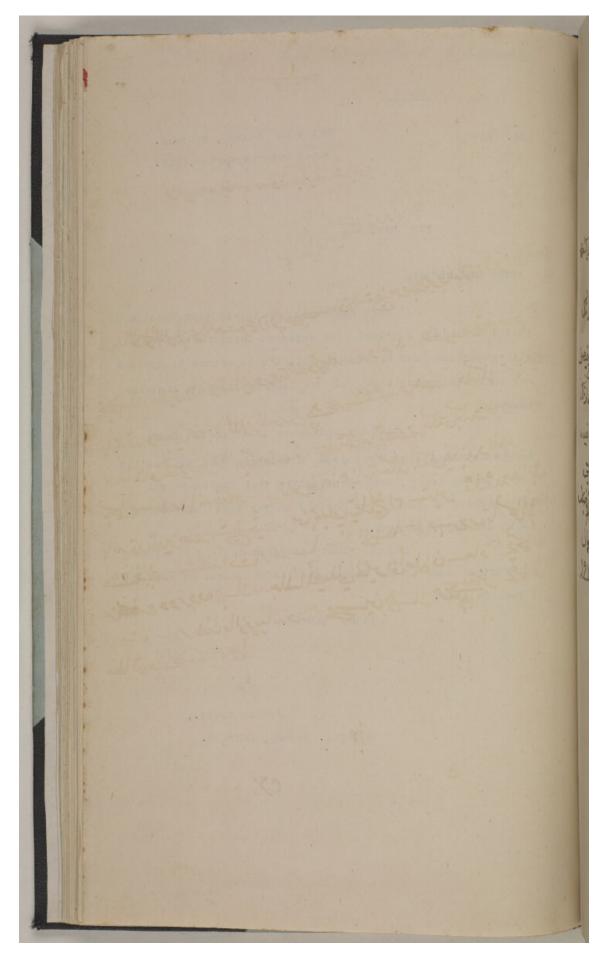


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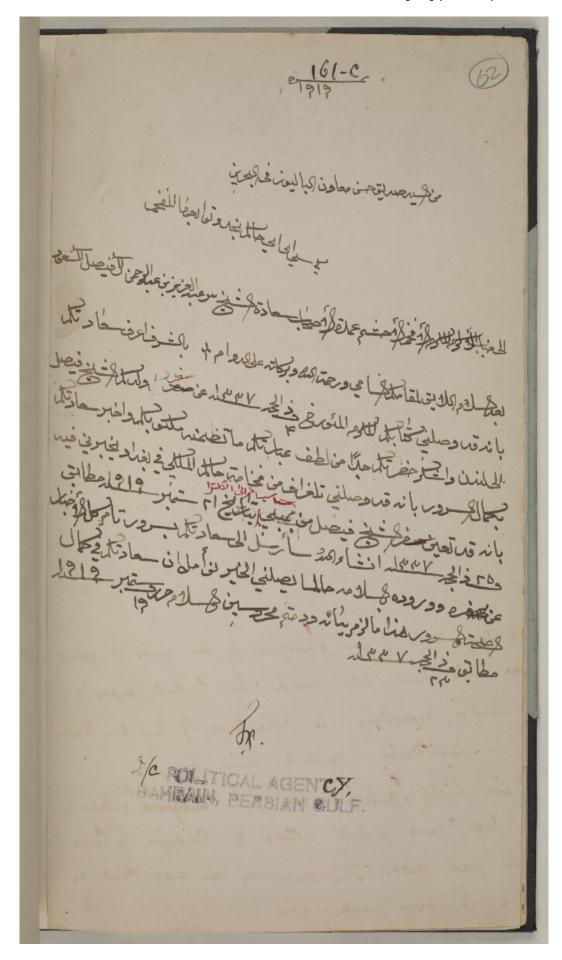


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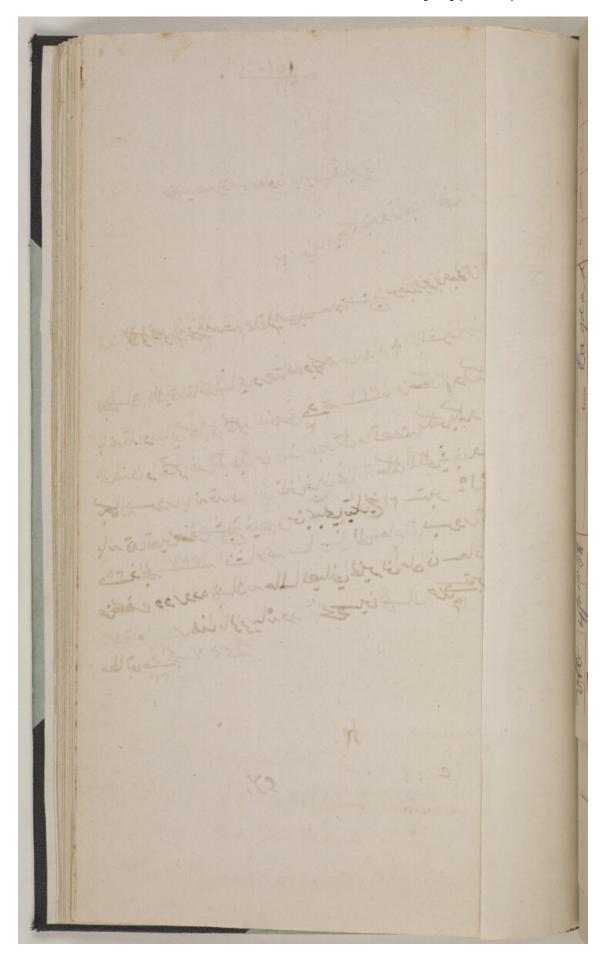


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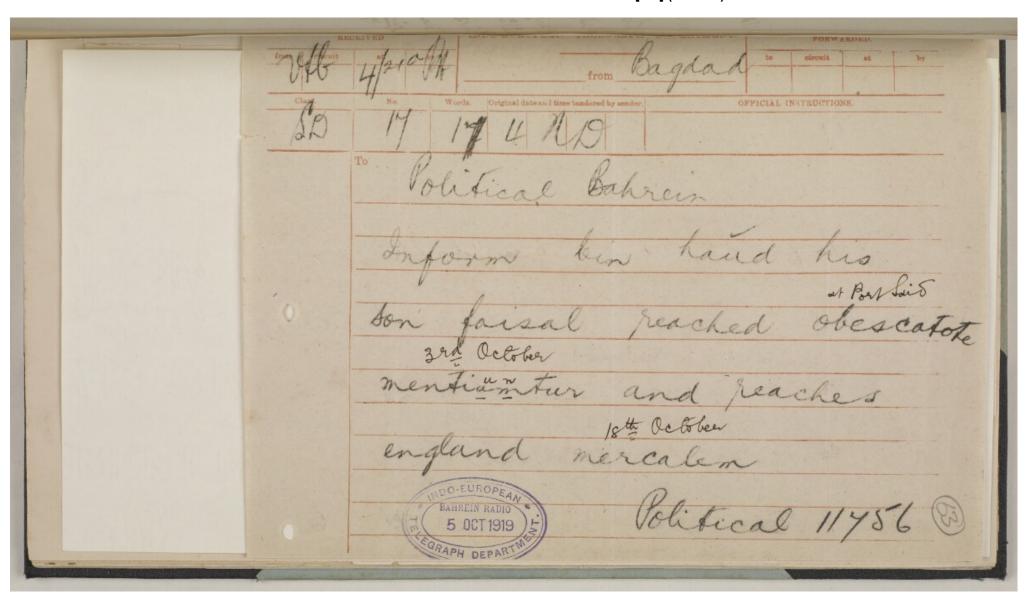


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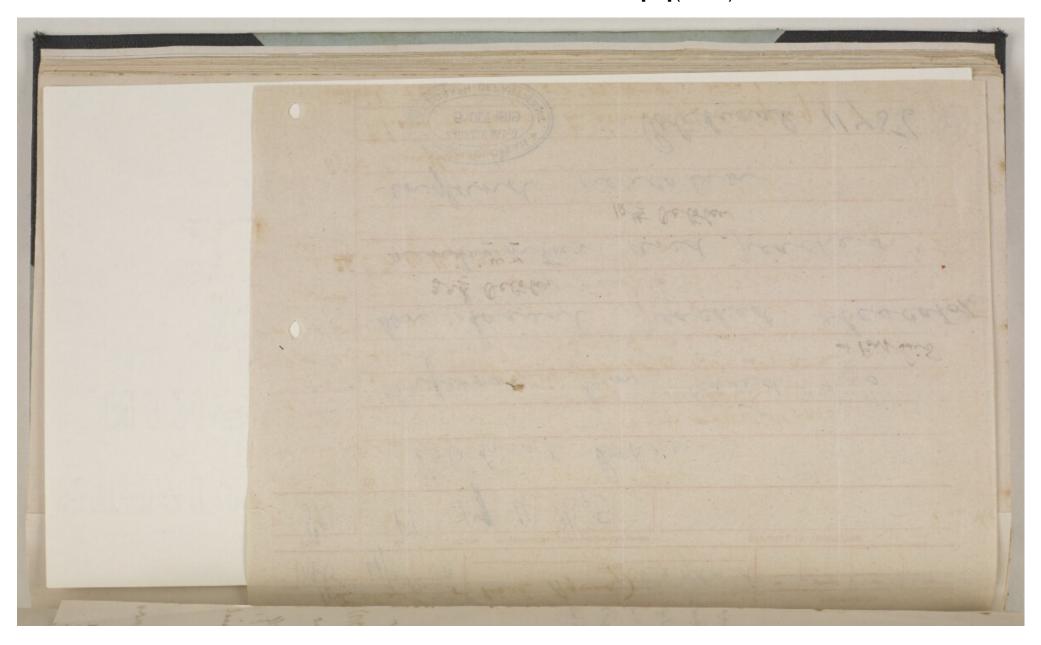


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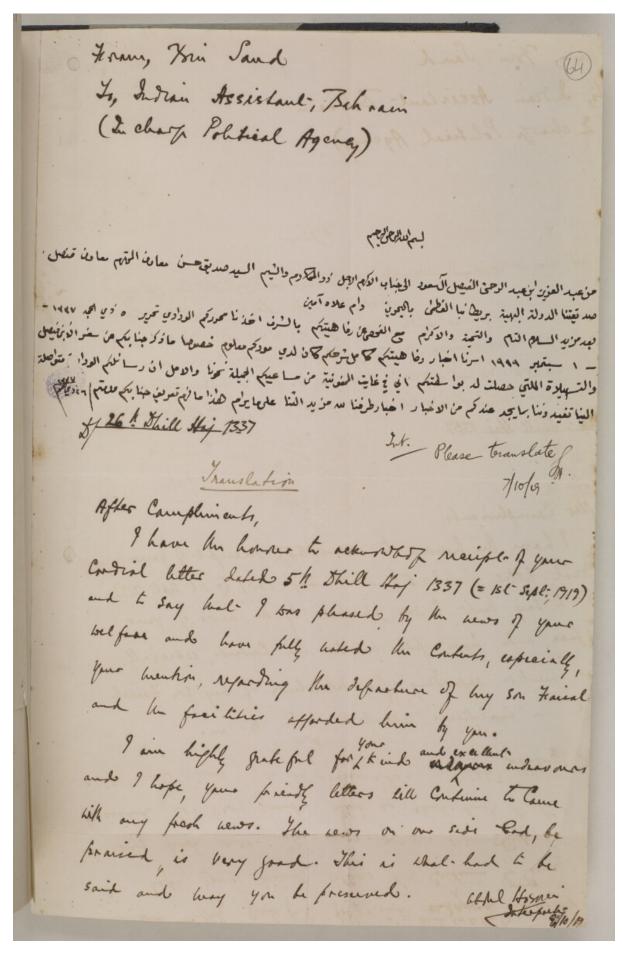




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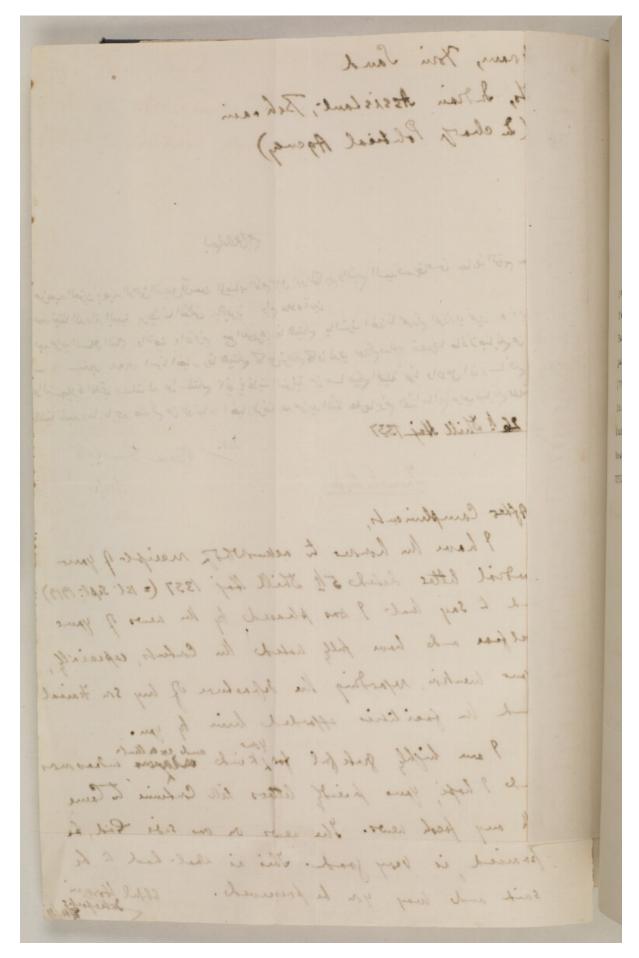






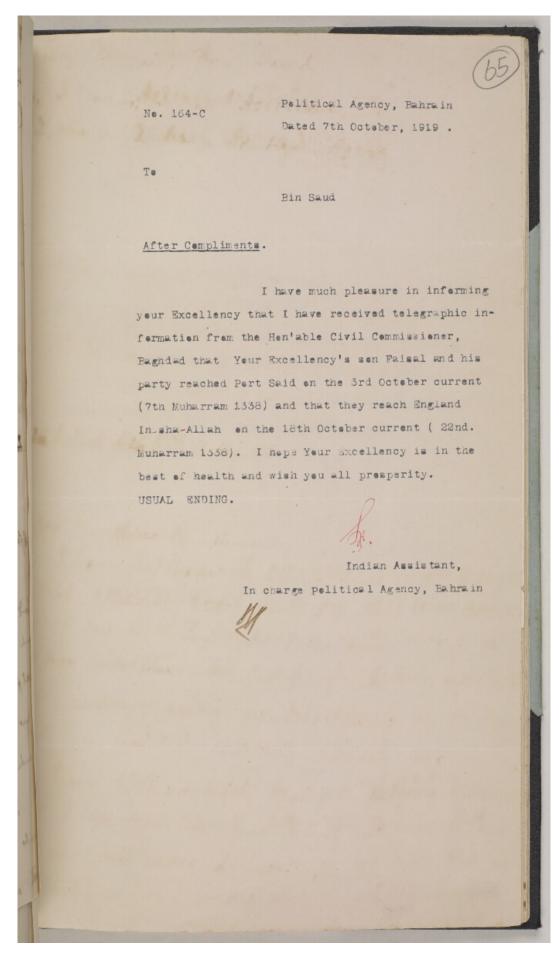


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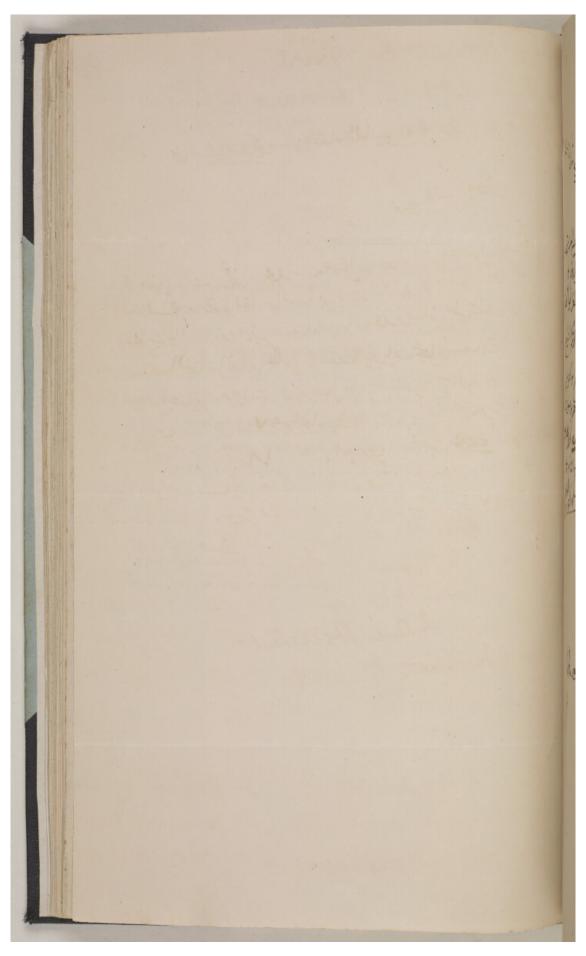


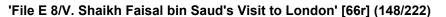
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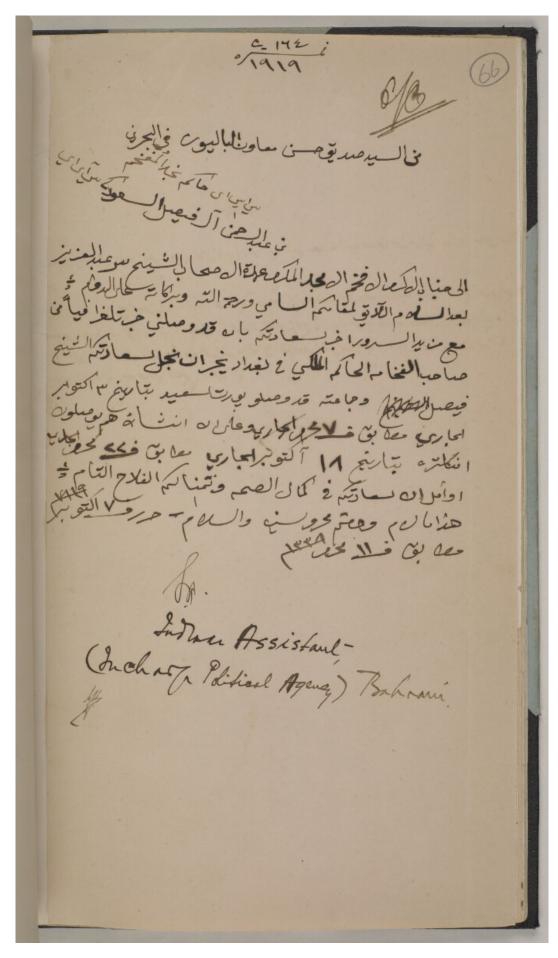


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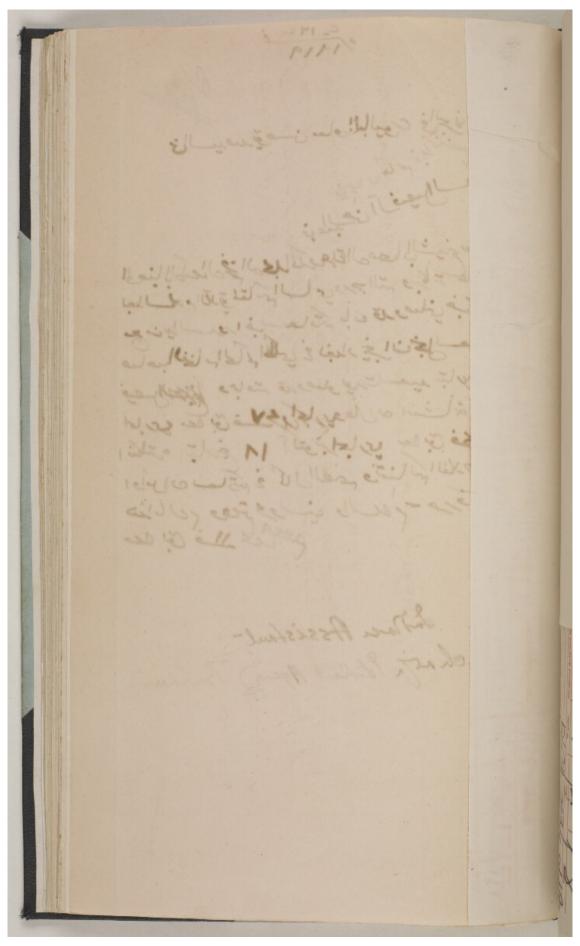




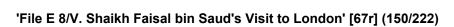




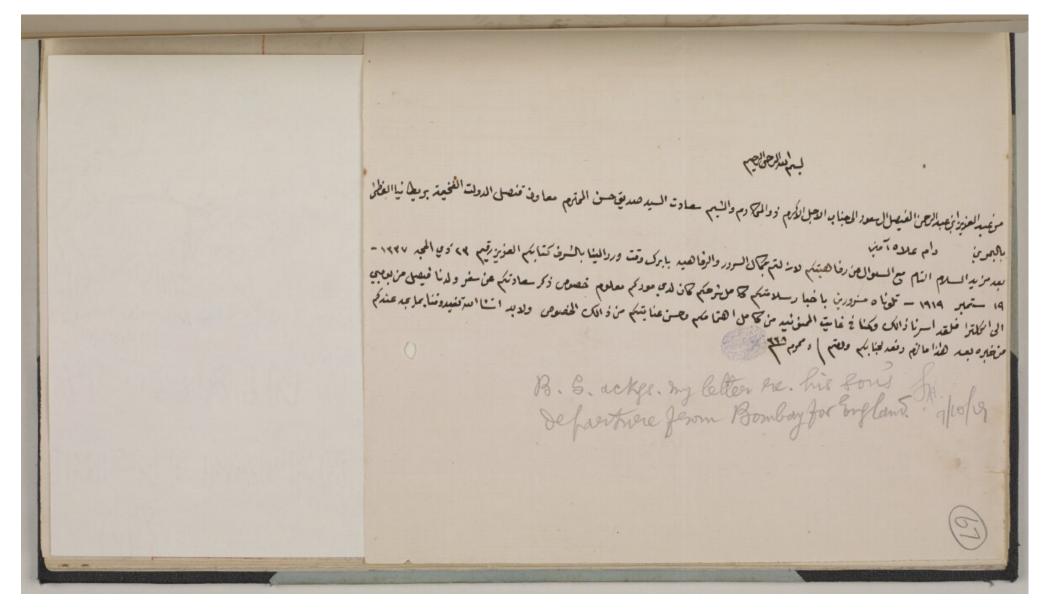






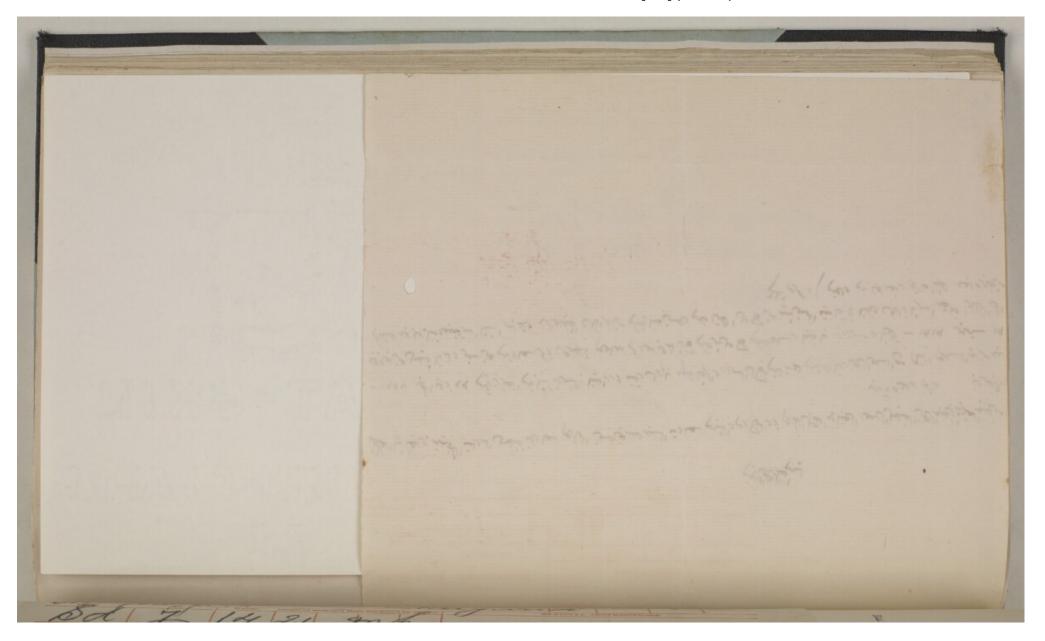






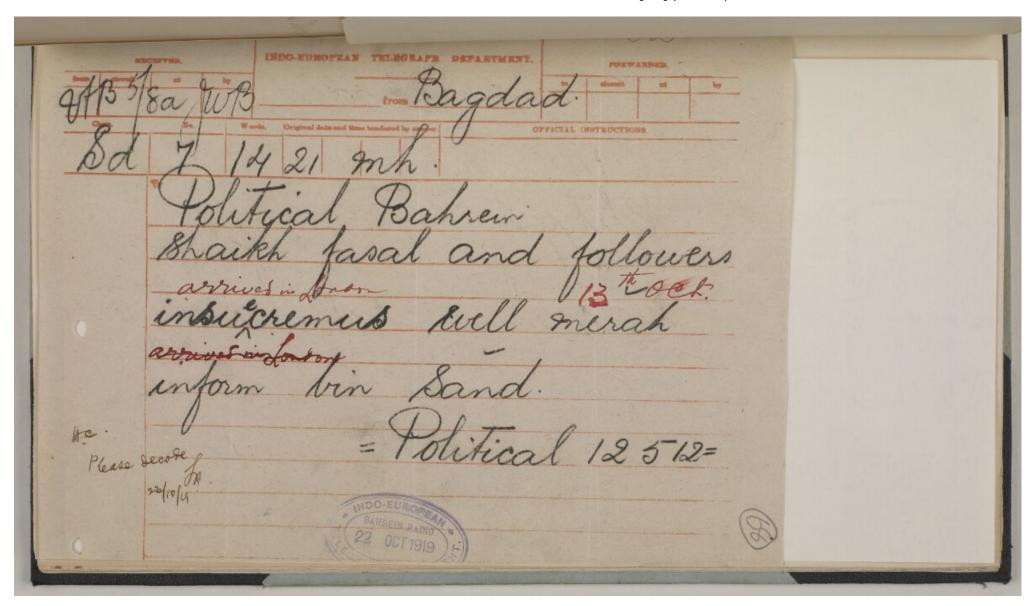


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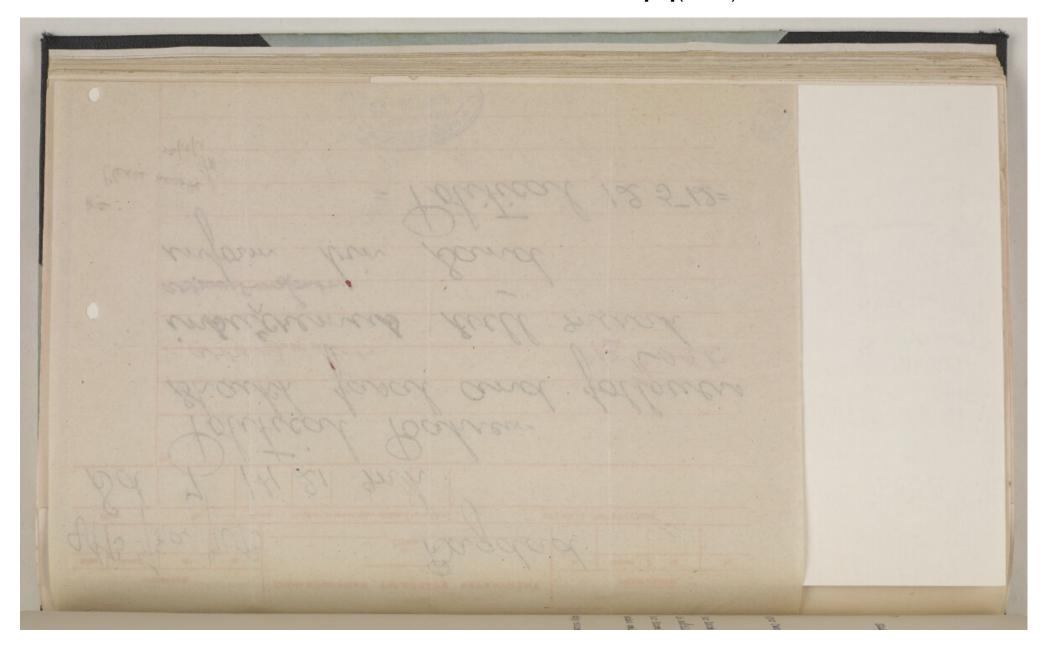


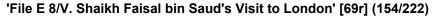
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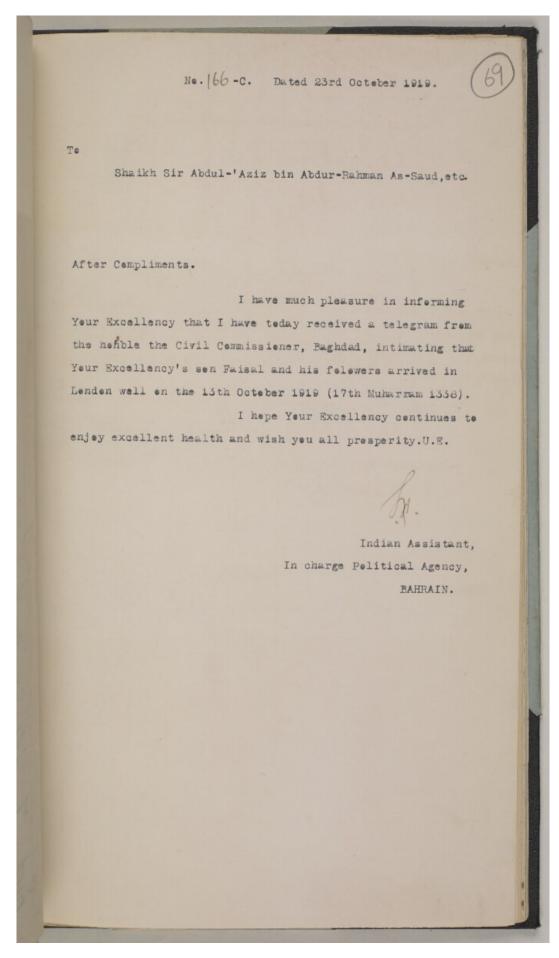


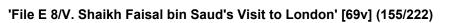
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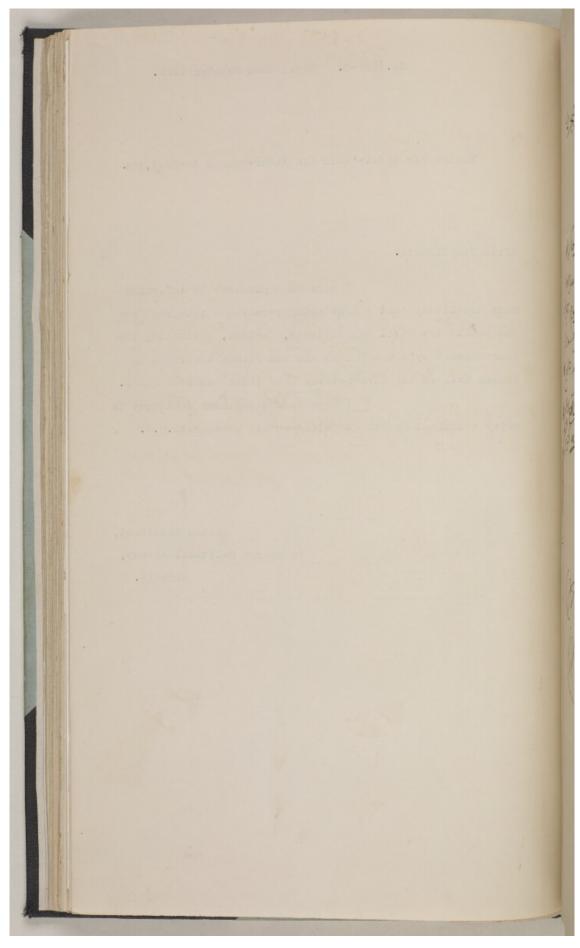


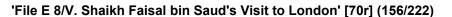




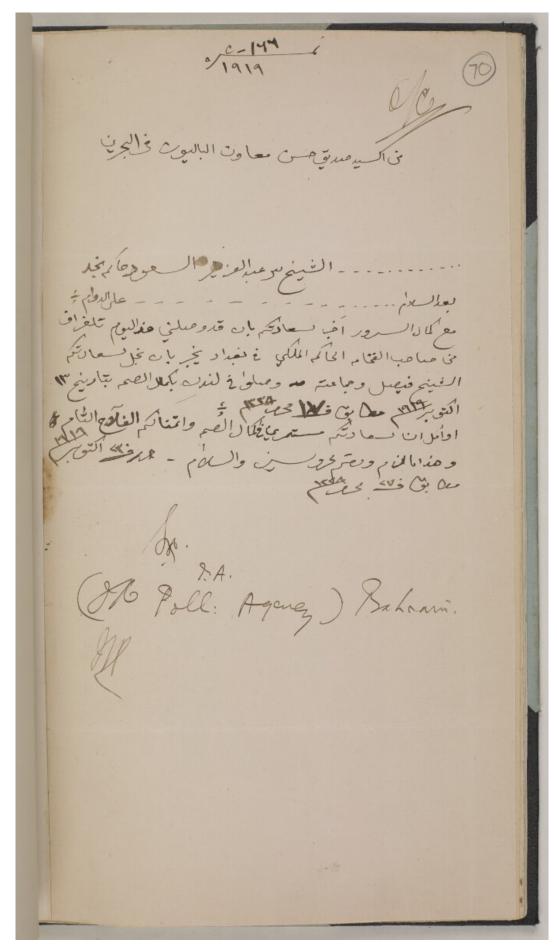


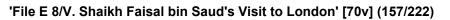




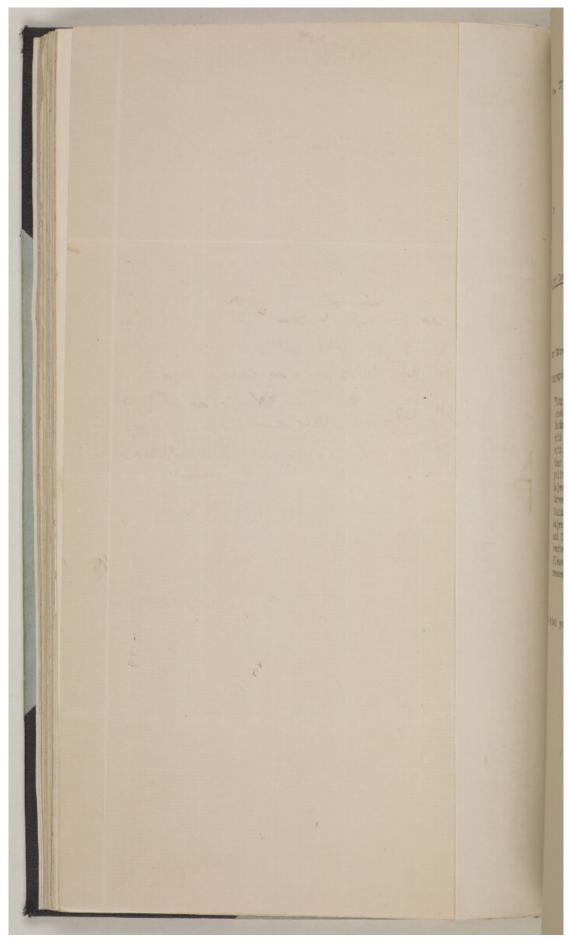






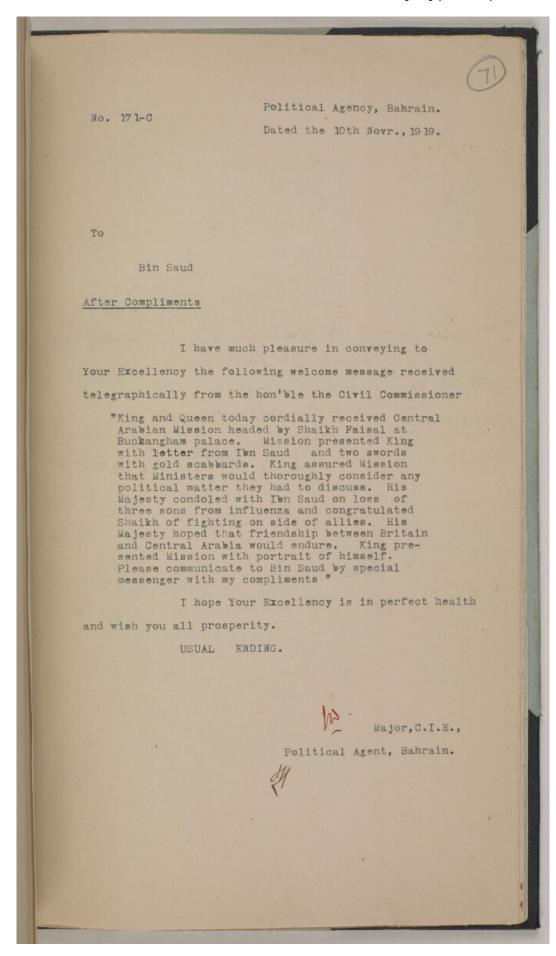


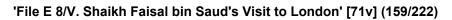




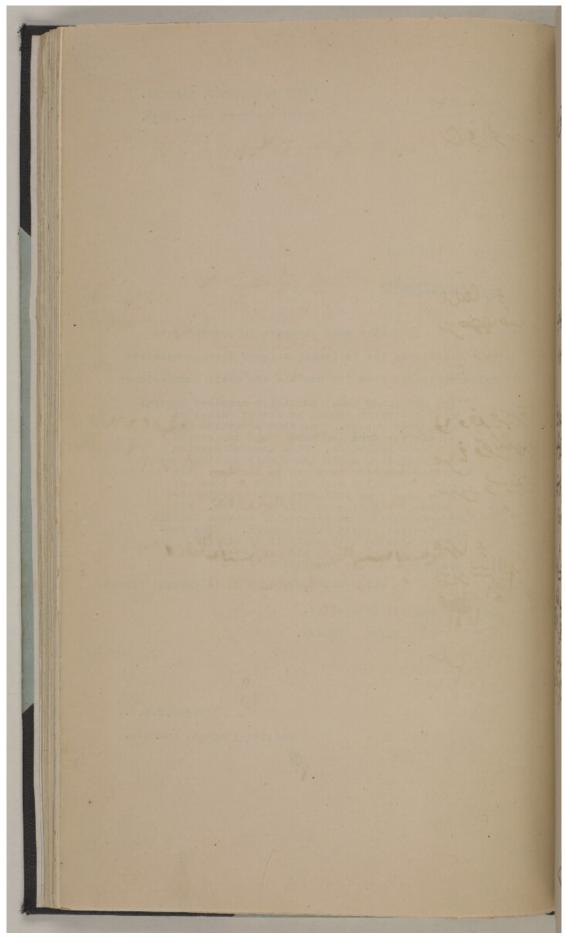
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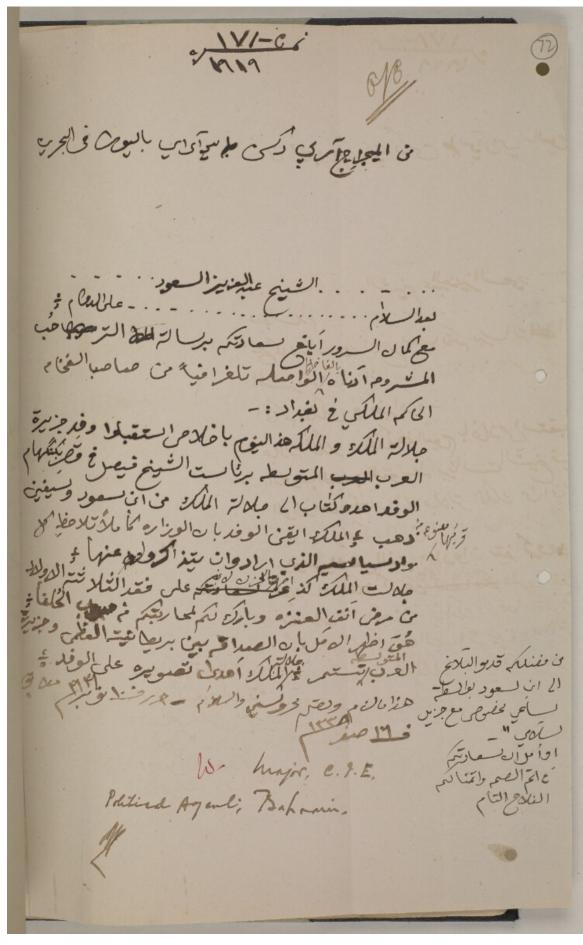


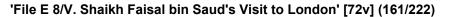




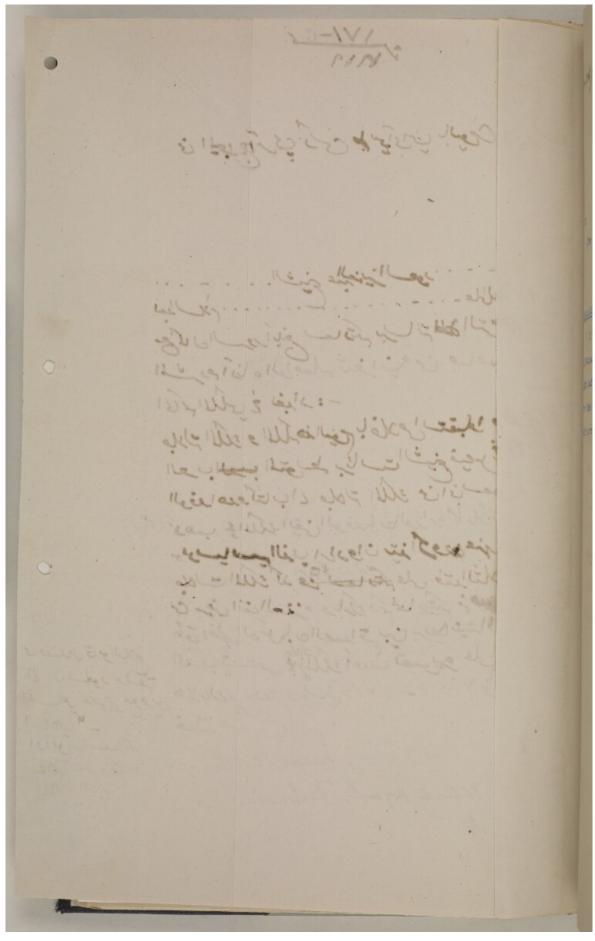


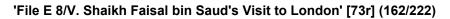






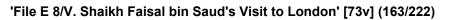




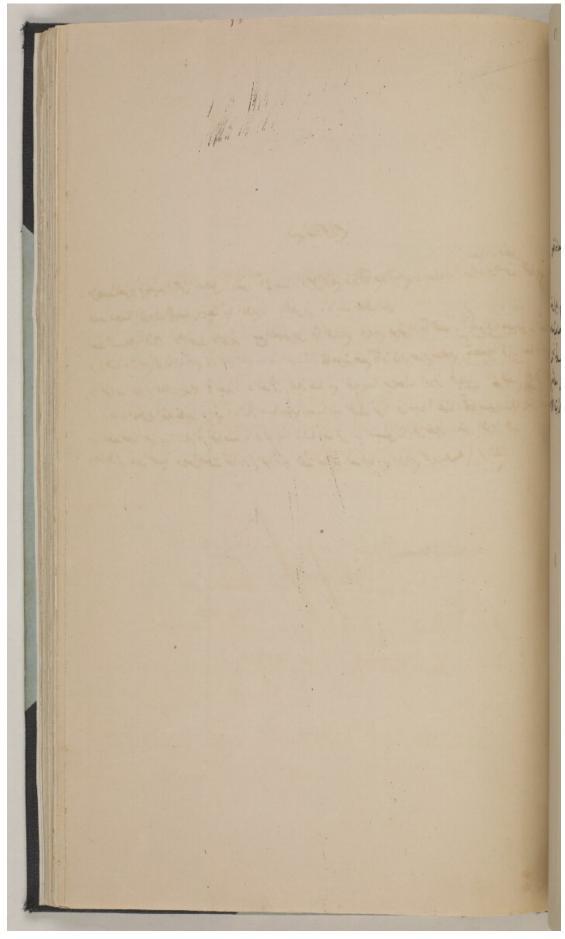




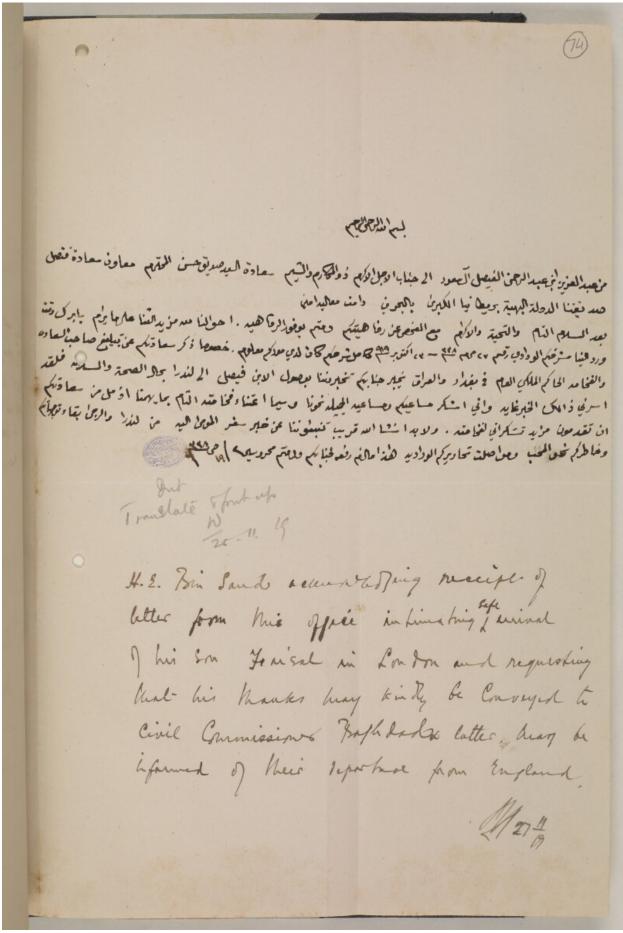
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	Bahrain, the 28th November 1919.
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	I am requested by Shaikh Sir 'Abdul 'Aziz bin 'Abdur Rahman
Al Fai	sal As Sa'ud, K.C.I.E., Ruler of Najd in his letter dated
19th S	afar 1338 (=13th November 1919) to convey his thanks to you
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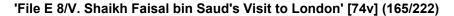




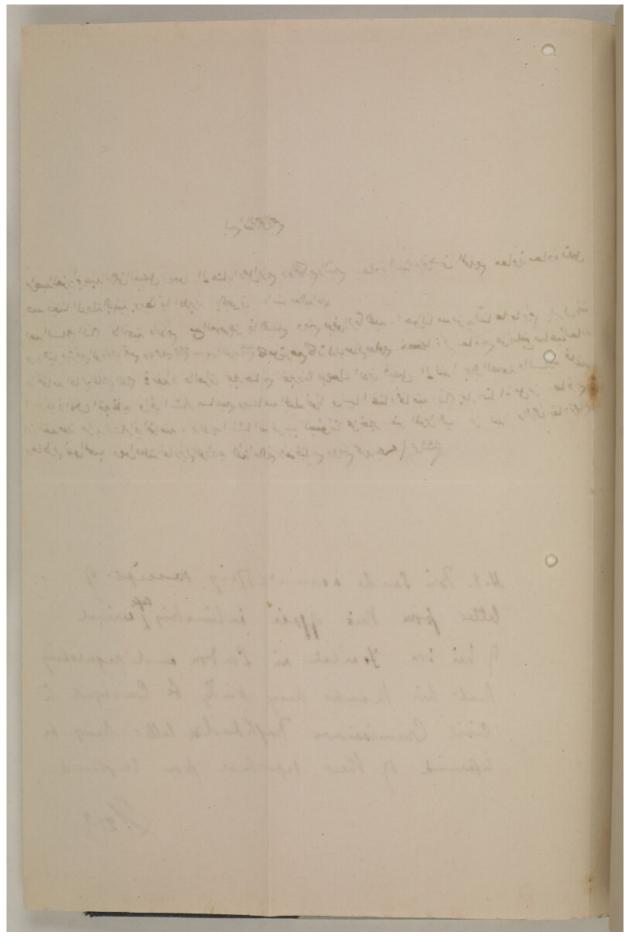






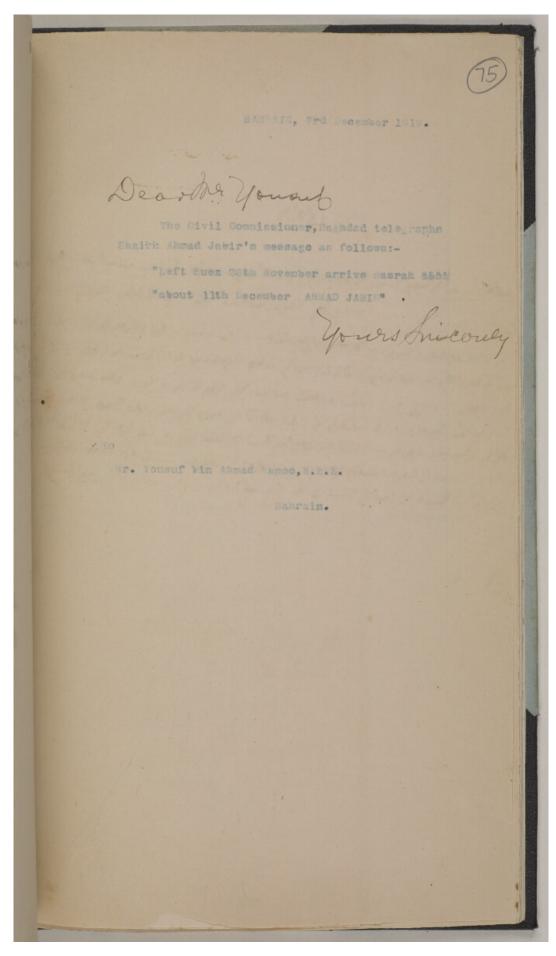


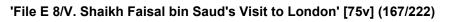




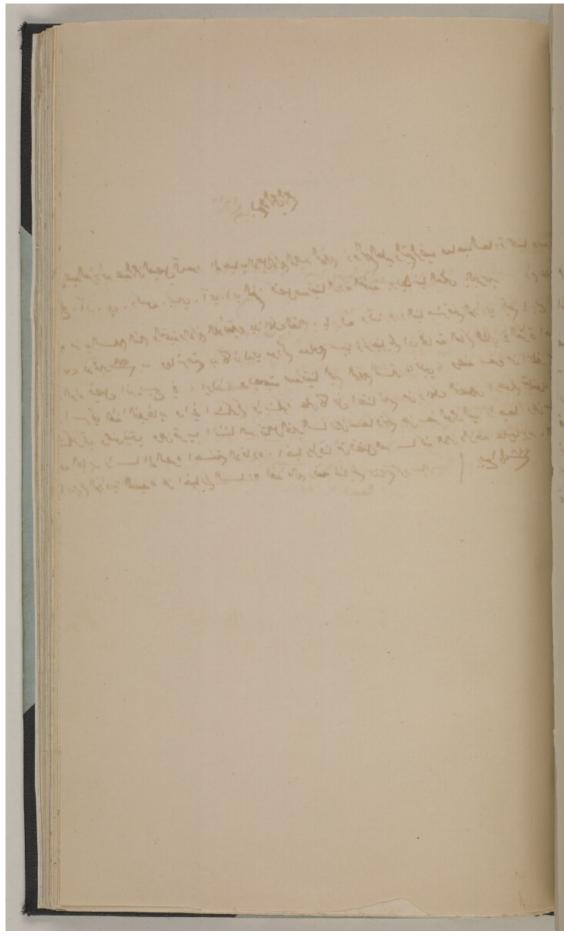




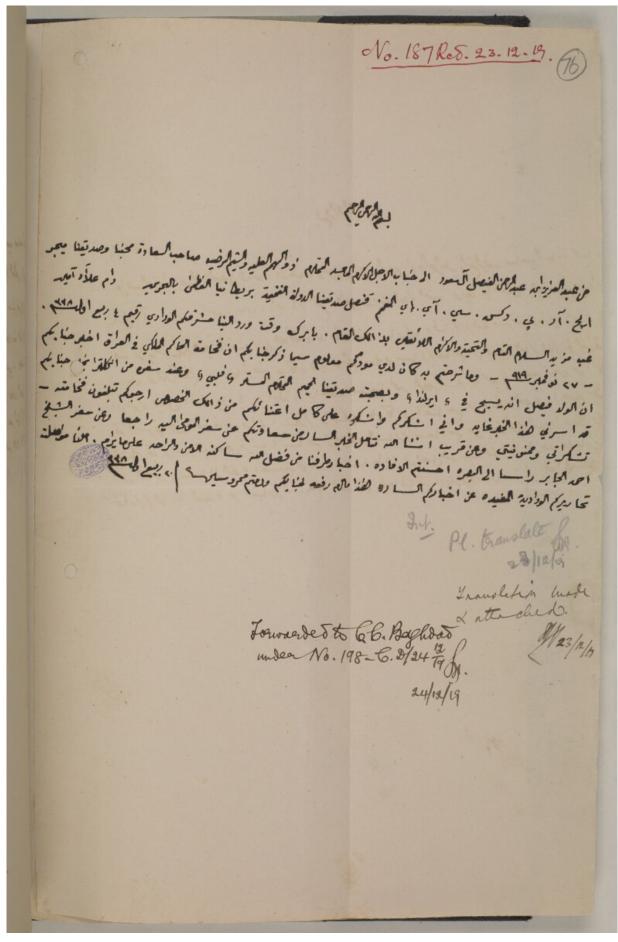


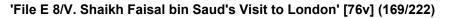




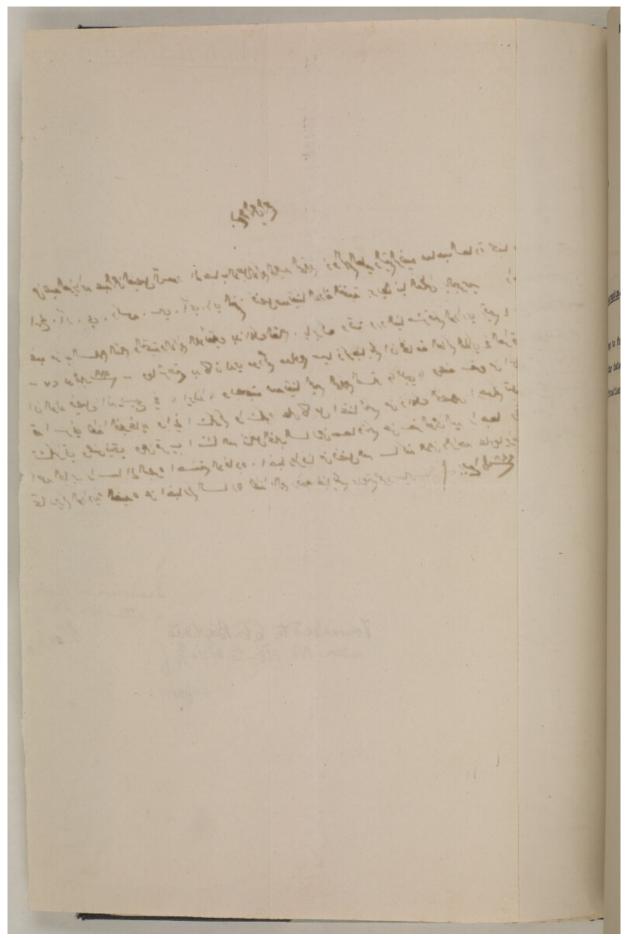






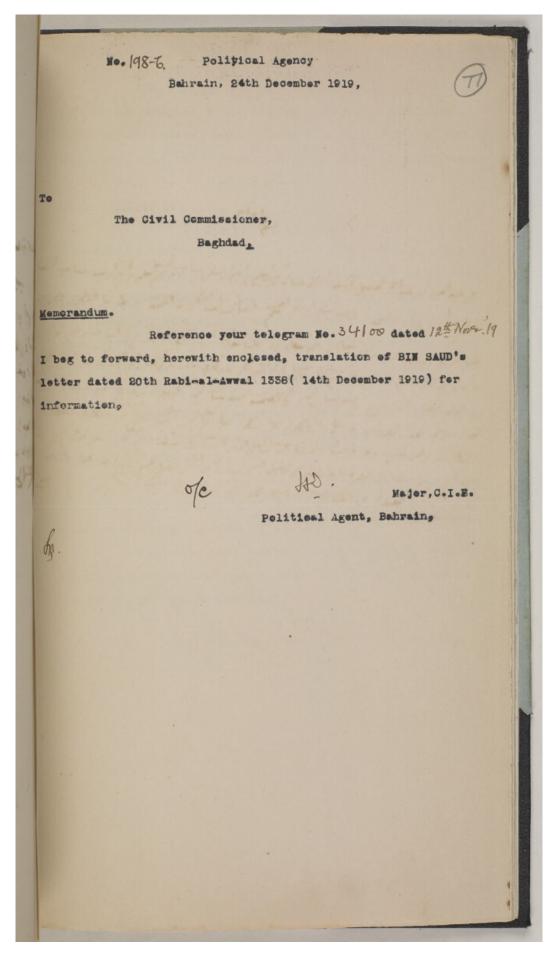






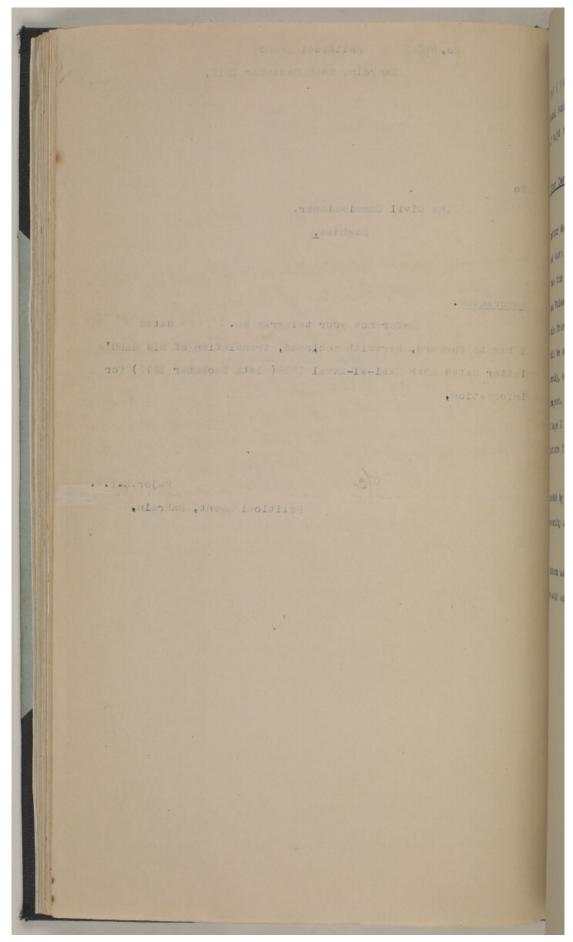


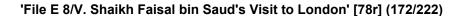
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Translation of a letter dated 20th Rabi al Awval,
1338 (14th December, 1919) from His Excellency Shaikh Sir
Abdul Aziz bin Abdur Rahman Al Paisal As Saud, K.C.I.E., Ruler
of Najd to Major H.R.P. Dickson, C.I.E., Felitical Agent, Pahrain.

After Compliments

At an auspicious mement I received your cordial letter dated 4th Rabi al Awwal, 1338 (27th Nevember, 1919) and have fully noted the centents, especially the infermation from the Hencurable Civil Commissioner in Mesepetamia that my son Faisal has been touring in Ireland in company of my Meneur able friend Mr. Philby and that his departure from England will be notified. This good news has, indeed, pleased me immensly, and I also thank you and that for regard in that respect. I request you to convey my thanks to His Hencur and I hope I will very shortly receive pleasing news of his departure from England.

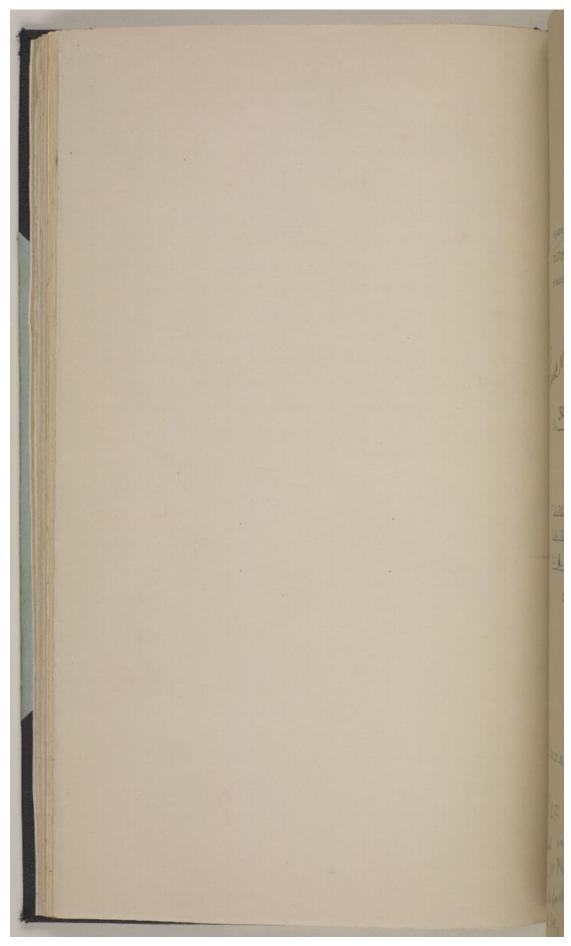
I have also noted that Shaikh Ahrad bin Jabar proceeded by direct steamer to Fusrah. The ne s on our side report security and peace as would be desired.

I hepe you will centinue to write me your friendly letters and let me know your good news. This is what had to be said and may you be preserved.

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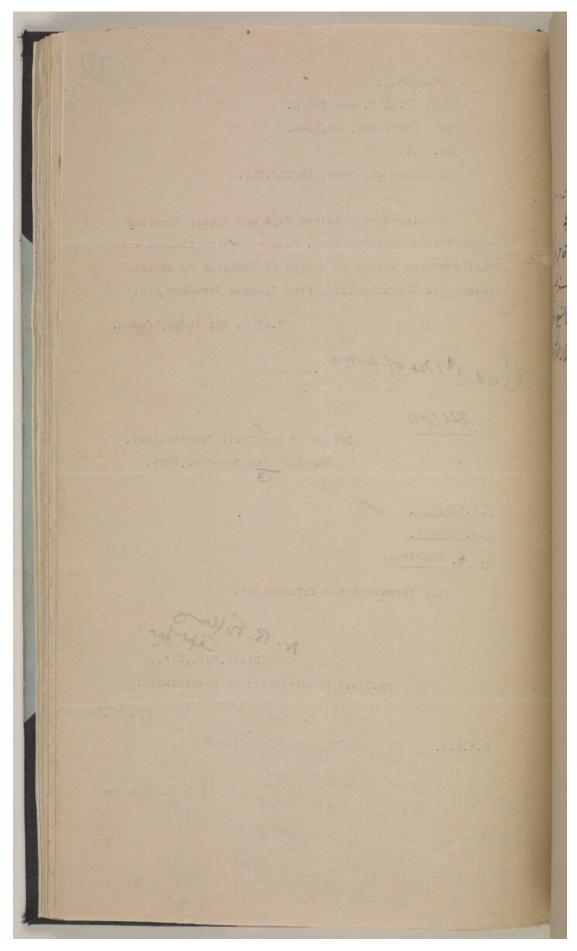
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Telegram.P. From S.of S. for India. To Political, Paghdad. No. nil. Dated 8th and recd. 12/11/1919. H.M.the King received Najd and Koweit Missions separately on October 30th. Former towning Ireland with Philby latter return in charge of McCollum by direct steamer to Basrah sailing from Glasgow November 8th. S.of S. for India, London. Lead N. 174 of 25/1/19 Office of the Civil Commissioner, Baghdad 12th November, 1919. D.P.A. Bushire. Copy forwarded for information. Ag. Civil Commissioner in Mesopotamia.

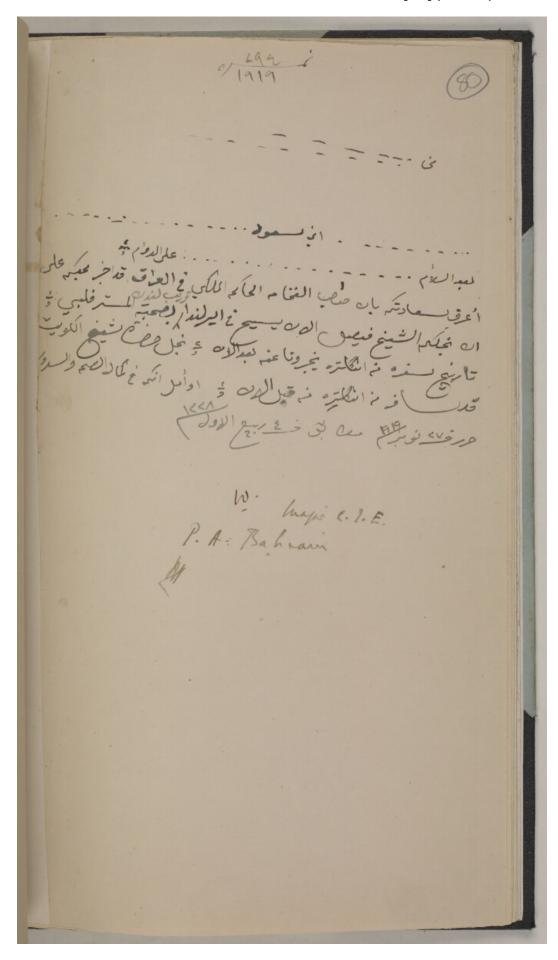


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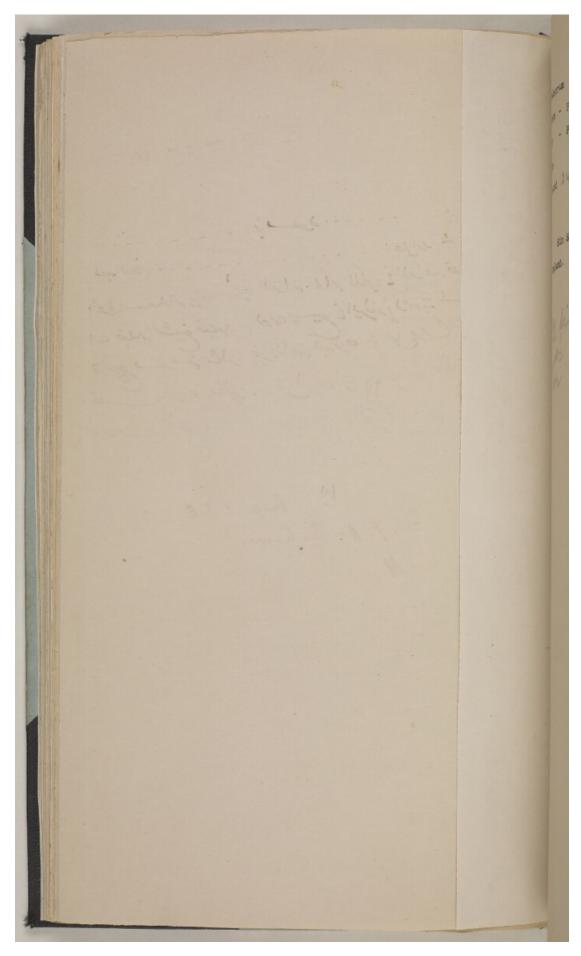


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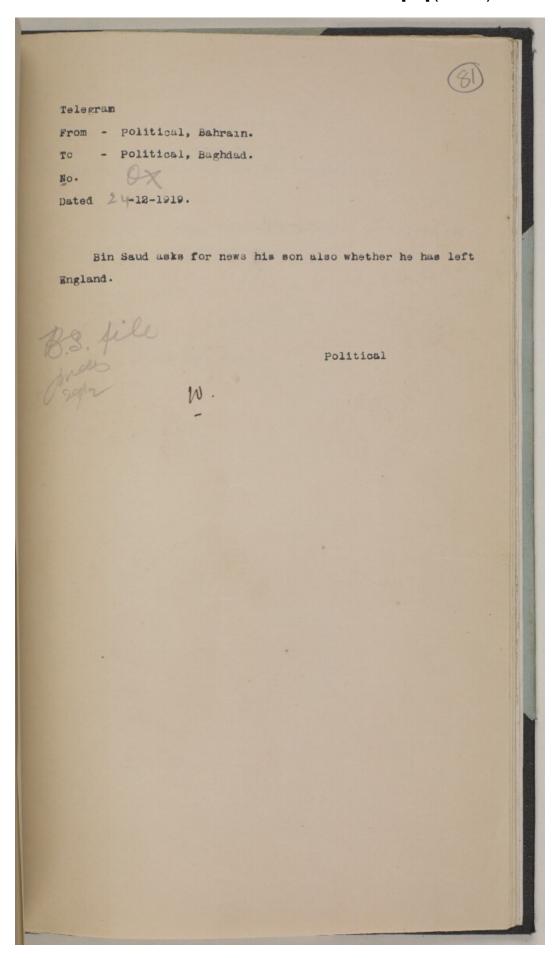


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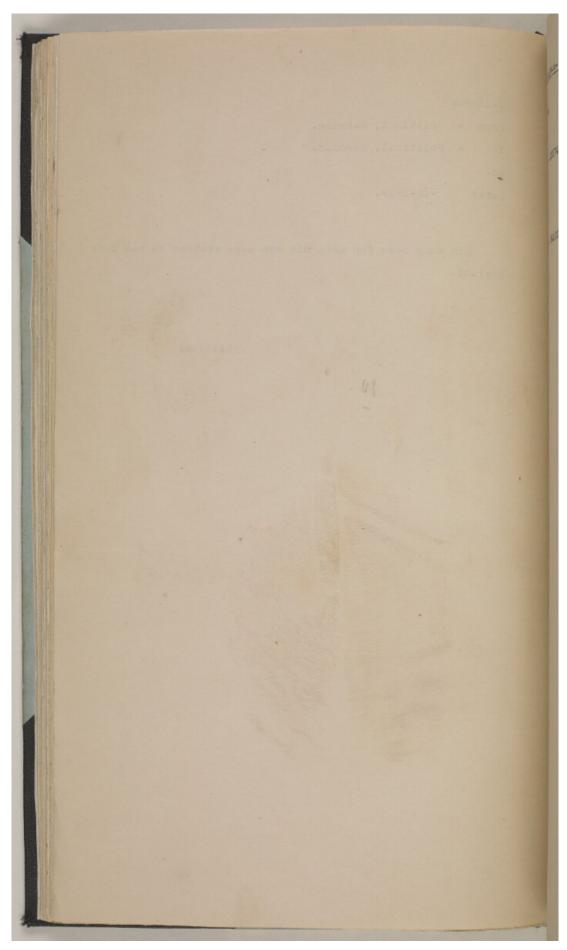


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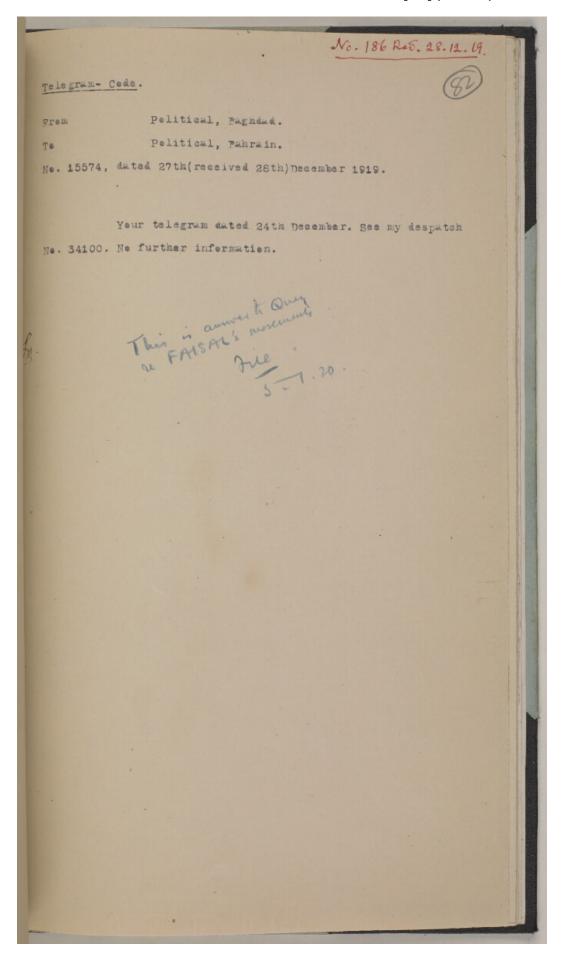


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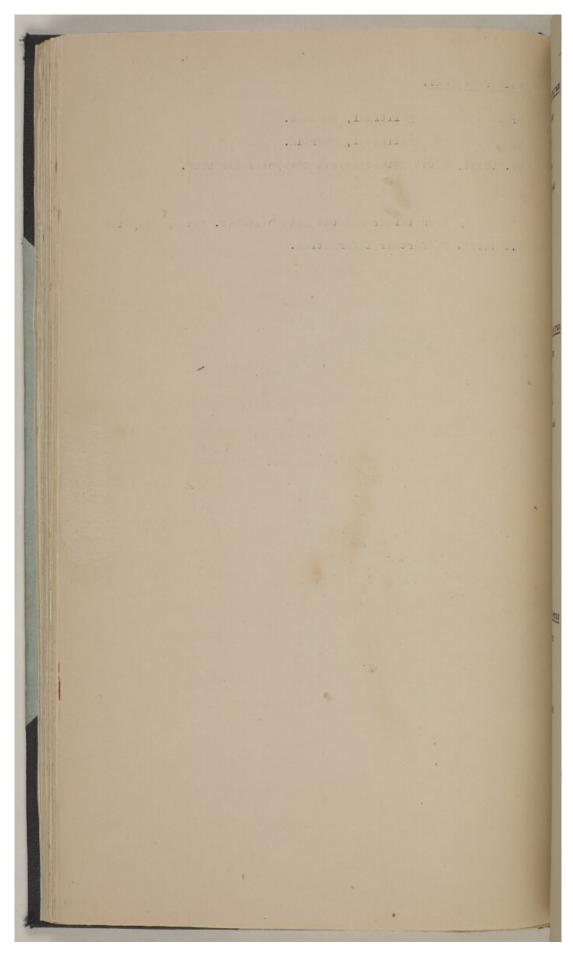


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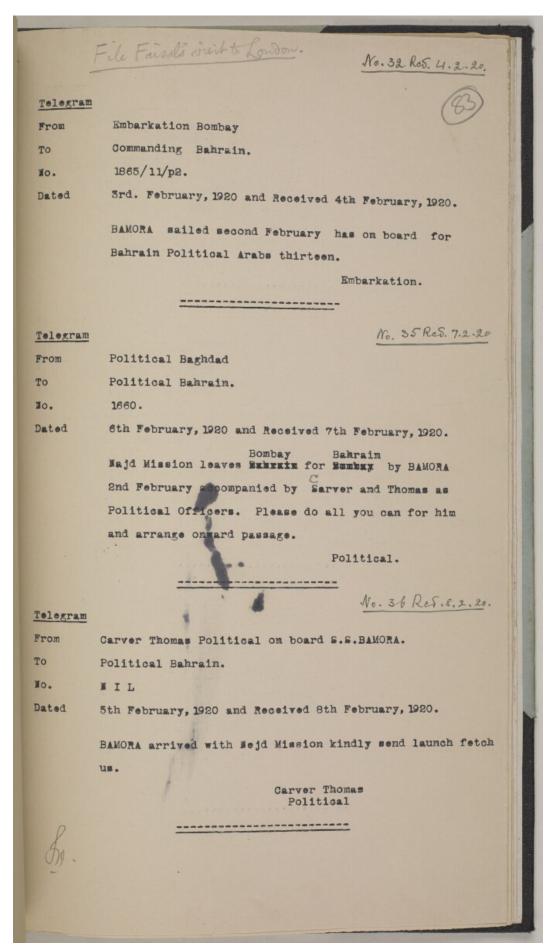


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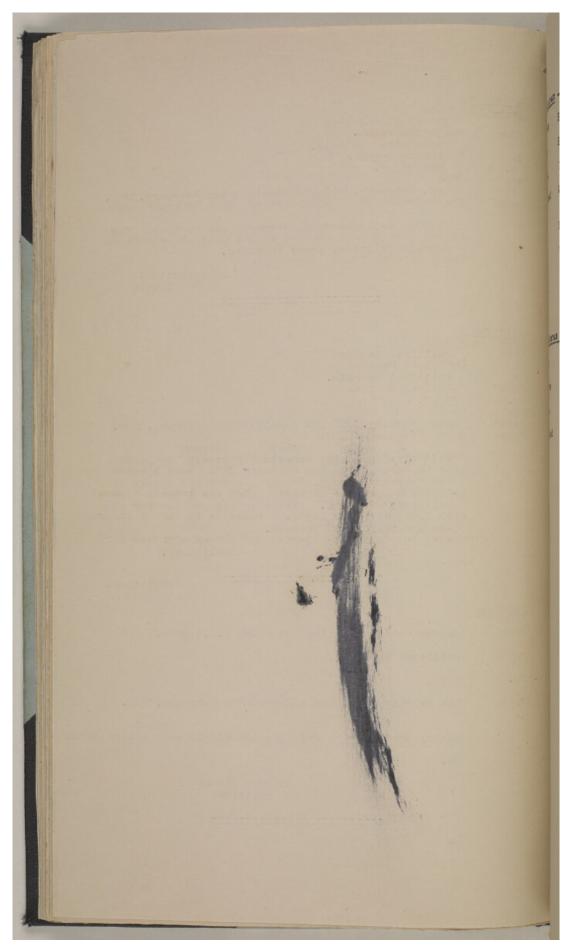


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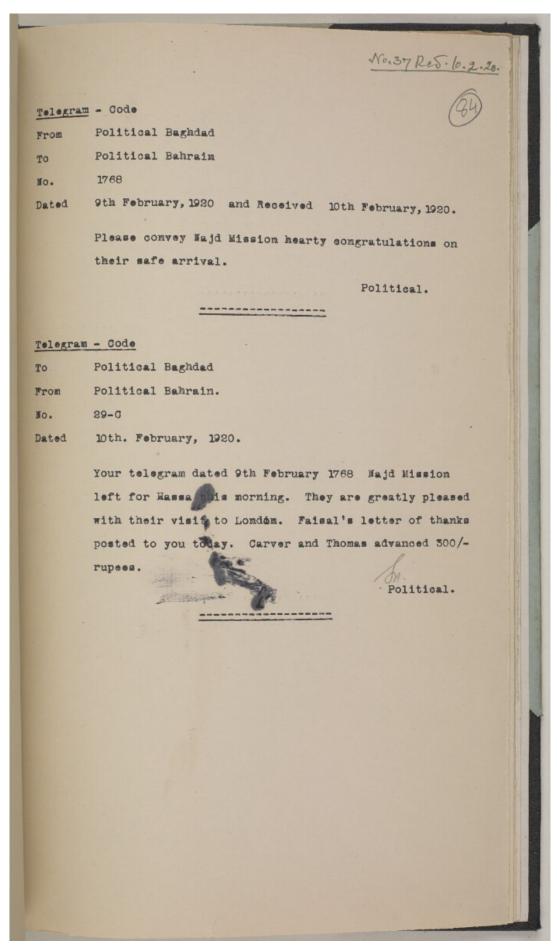


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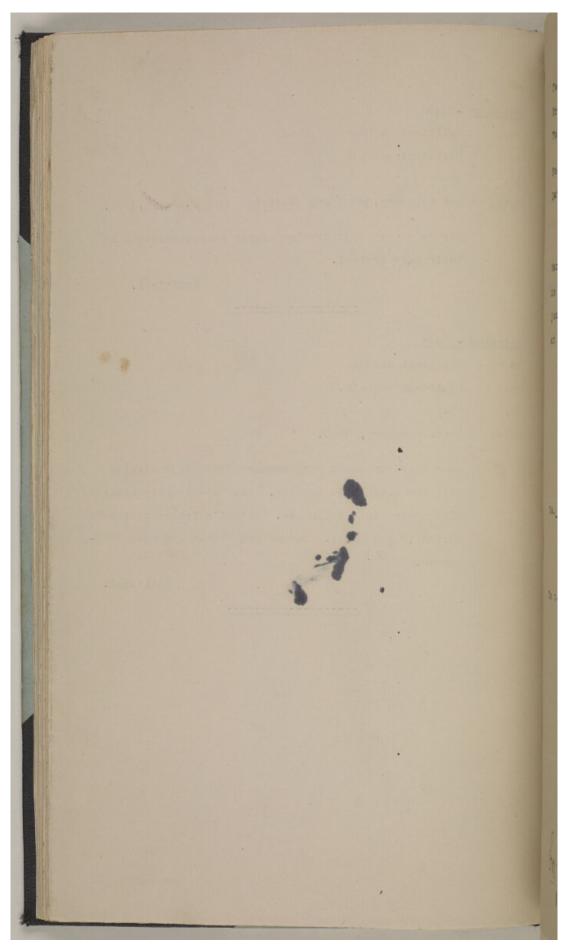


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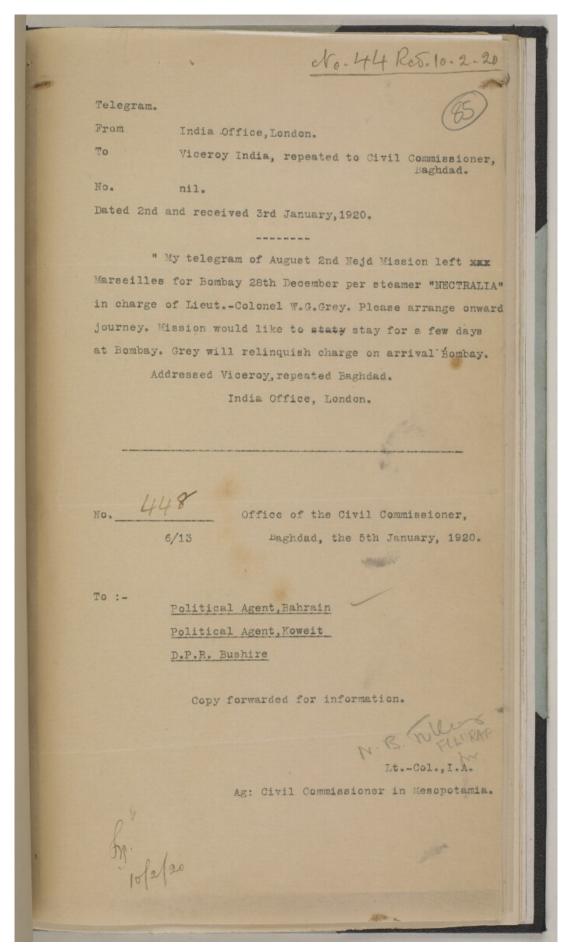


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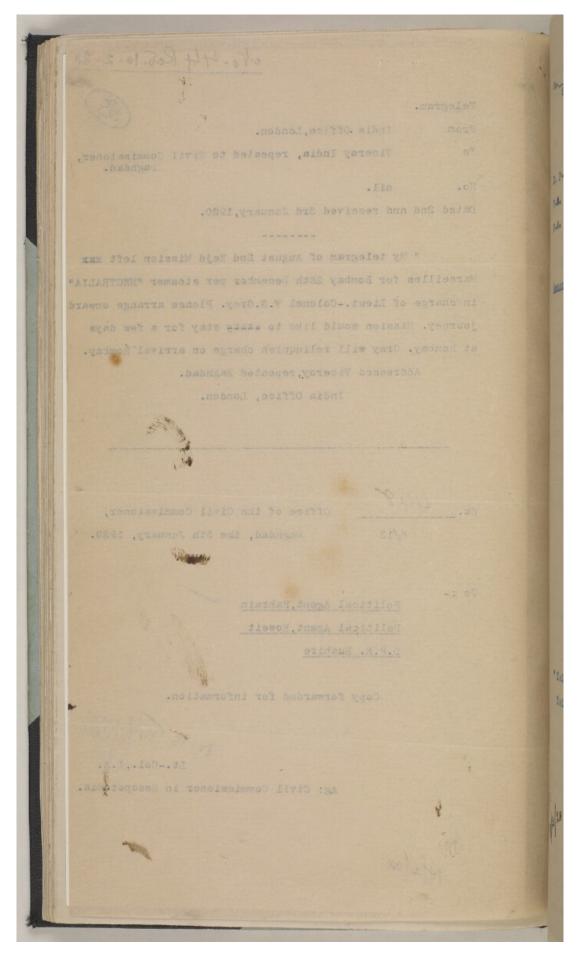


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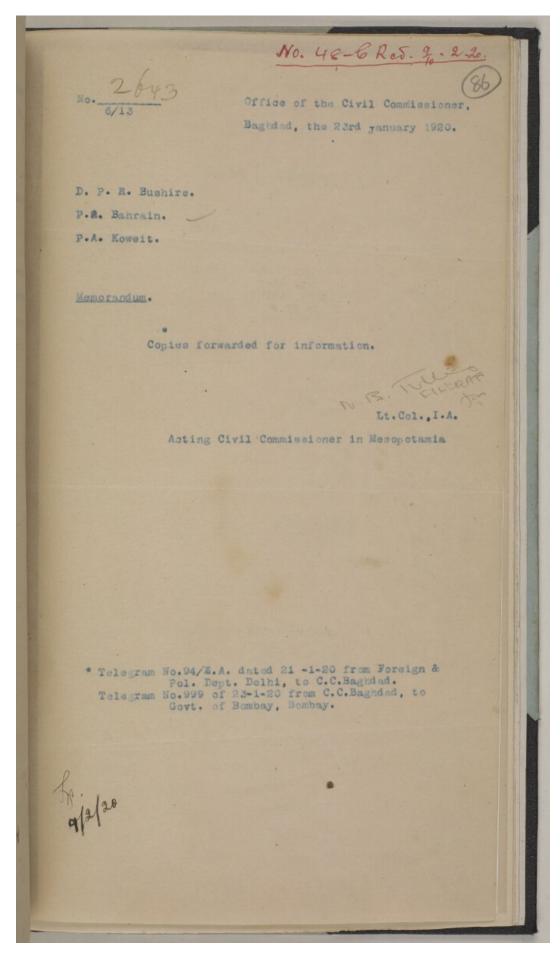


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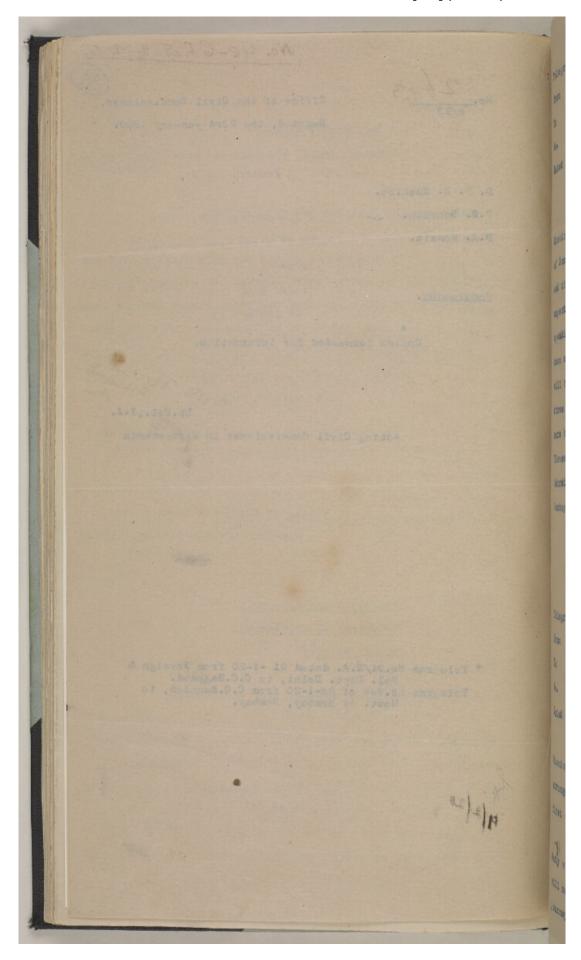


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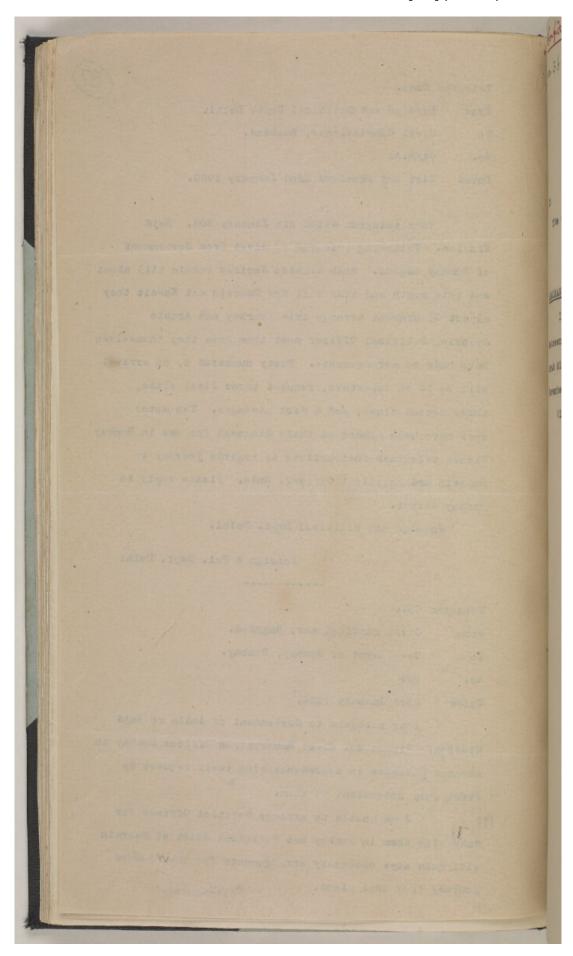




Telegram Code. Foreign and Political Dept. Delhi. From To Civil Commissioner, Baghdad. No. 94/B.A. Dated 21st and received 22nd January 1920. Your telegram dated 6th January 208. Nejd Mission. Following telegram received from Government of Bombay begins. Arab Missian desires remain till about end this month and then sail for Bahrein not Koweit they expect Government arrange this journey and Arabic speaking Political Officer meet them here they themselves have made no arrangements. Party numbered 6, on arrival will be 10 on departure, request three first class, three second class, and 4 deck passages. Two motor cars have been placed at their disposal for use in Bembay Please telegraph instructions as regards journey to Bahrein and Political Officer. Ends. Please reply to Bombay direct. Foreign and Political Dept. Delhi. Foreign & Pol. Dept. Delhi Telegram Code Civil Commissioner, Baghdad. To Government of Bombay, Bombay. No. 999 23rd January 1920. Dated Your telegram to Government of India re Najd Mission. Please ask Civil Embarkation Officer Bombay to arrange passages in accordance with their request by first ship convenient to them. I am unable to arrange Politica Officer for duty with them in Bombay but Political Agent at Bahrain will make any. necessary arrangements for the M onward journey from that place. C. C. Baghdad.

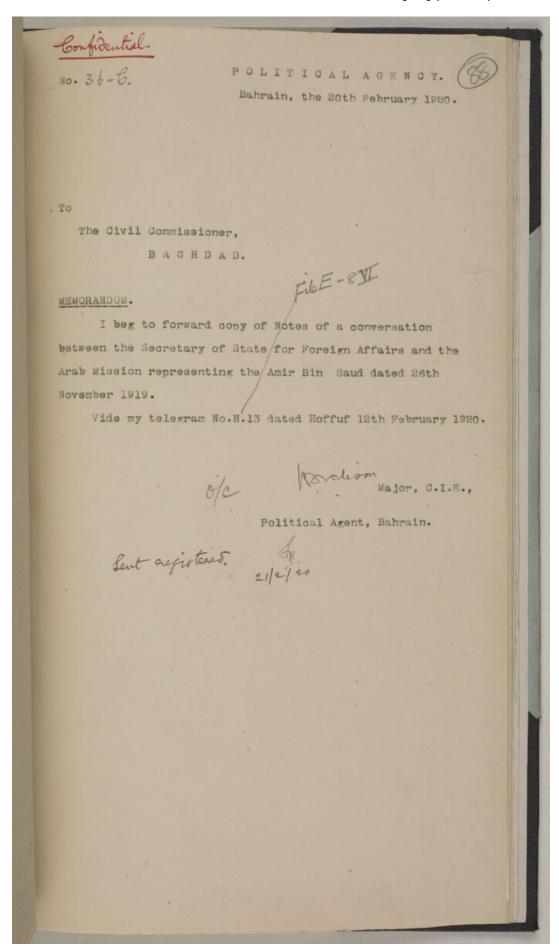


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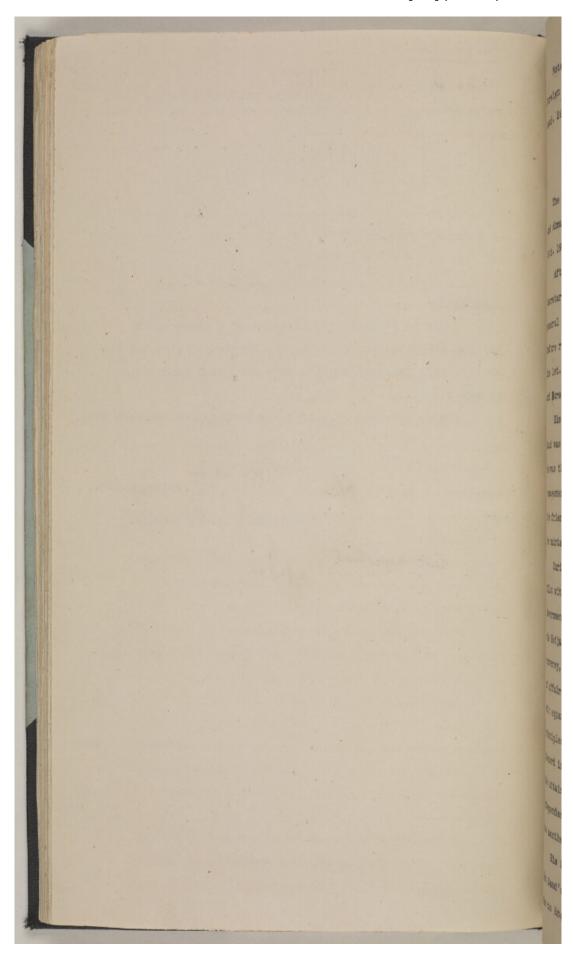


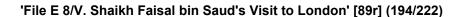
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Notes of a conversation between The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and the Arab Mission representing the Emir Ibn Saud. 26th. November 1919.

The Secretary of State received Feisal Ibn Saud and Ahmad-ibn-Thunaiyan at the Foreign Office on November 26th. 1919.

After customary greetings had been exchanged, the Secretary of State said that he proposed to review the general situation between King Hussein and Ibn Saud before replying in detail to the requests presented on the 1st. November in a Note read to the India Office and Boreign Office Joint Conference.

His Majesty's Government were well aware that Ibn Saud was one of the great Independent Rulers of Arabia; he was their friend and they had entered into Treaty engagements with him. They were earnestly desirous that the friendly relations established in this Treaty should be maintained.

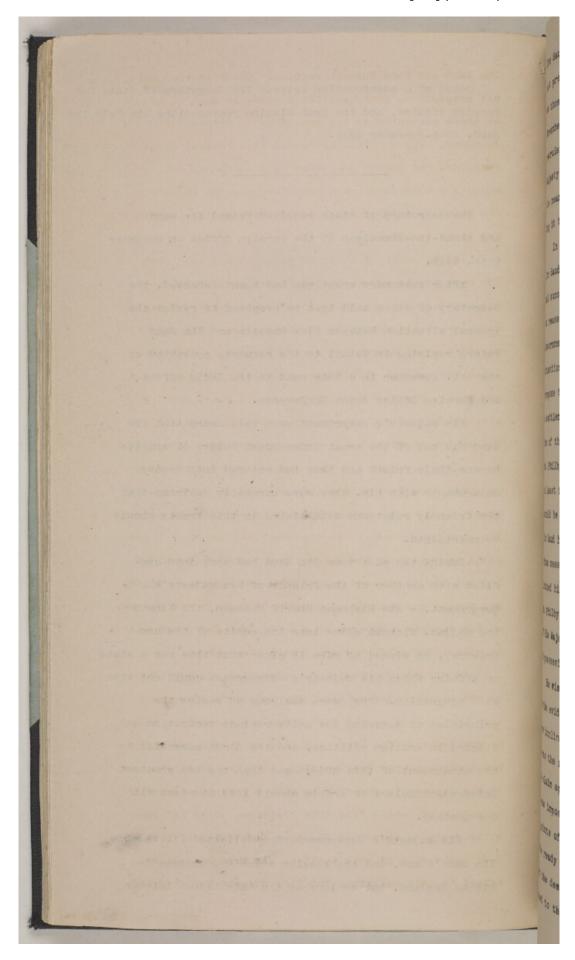
During the past year Ibn Saud had come into conflict with another of the friends of His Majesty's Government, - His Highness Sherif Hussein, the King of the Hedjaz. Without going into the merits of the controversy, he wished to make it clear that this was a state of affairs which His Majesty's Government could not view with equanimity. They were desirous of seeing the principles of cohesion and unity replace separation and discord in Arabian politics, and the first essential to the attainment of this object was that the two greatest Independent Rulers of Arabia should live at peace with one another.

His Majesty's Government were delighted to welcome Ibn Saud's son, and the Mission which had accompanied him to England, but so long as the main issues between

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Ibn Saud and King Hussein remained undecided they were not prepared to give specific answers to such questions as those presented by the Arab Mission on the 1st.

Movember. The outbreak of hostilities between these two rulers had caused considerable disquiet to His Wajesty's Government, who had given careful thought to the means by which they could be instrumental in bringing it to an end.

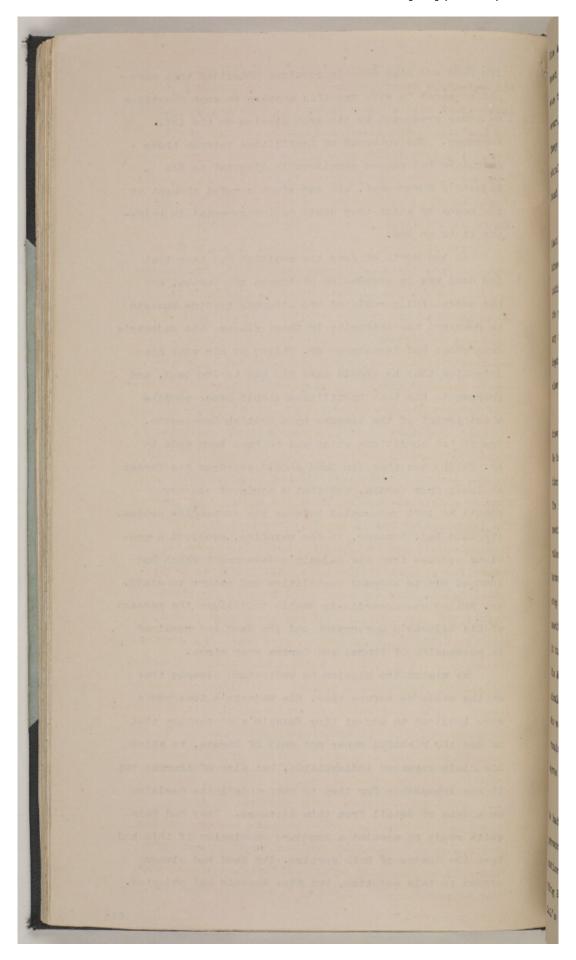
In the month of June the position had been that Ibn Saud was in possession of Khurma and Turaba, and had successfully resisted two attempts by King Hussein to reassert his authority in those places. His Majesty's Government had despatched Fr. Philby by air with the intention that he should make his way to Ibn Saud, and propose to him that hostilities should cease pending a settlement of the dispute by a British Commission. One of the conditions which was to have been made by Mr. Philby was that Ibn Saud should withdraw his forces at least from Turaba, and that a strip of country should be left unoccupied between the contending armies. Ibn Saud had, however, in the meantime, received a previous message from His Majesty's Government which had induced him to suspend hostilities and return to Riadh. Mr. Philby was accordingly unable to deliver the message of His Majesty's Government and Ibn Saud had remained in possession of Khurma and Turaba ever since.

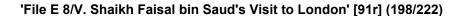
He wished the Mission to understand clearly that on the evidence before them, His Majesty's Government were inclined to accept King Hussein's contention that he was the rightful owner not only of Turaba, to which his claim appeared indisputable, but also of Khurma: but it was impossible for them to make a definite decision on points of detail from this distance. They had been quite ready to appoint a Boundary Commission if this had been the desire of both parties. Ibn Saud had always agreed to this solution, but King Hussein had objected.

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His Majesty's Government were now of opinion that the best way of settling the dispute between the two rulers was that they should meet personally and talk matters over, either at Jeddah or possibly at some other place. They had accordingly suggested to King Hussein that this should be done, and he would be glad to know how Ibn Saud would be likely to view a similar proposal.

Ahmed-ibn-Thunaiyan replied that he had no doubt that Ibn Saud would welcome a meeting with King Hussein himself, but he was not authorised to give an undertaking to this effect, nor could he say anything as to the place of meeting. Ibn Saud would not agree to meet any representative of King Hussein, though he might depute a representative in the event of a personal interview between the two rulers being impracticable.

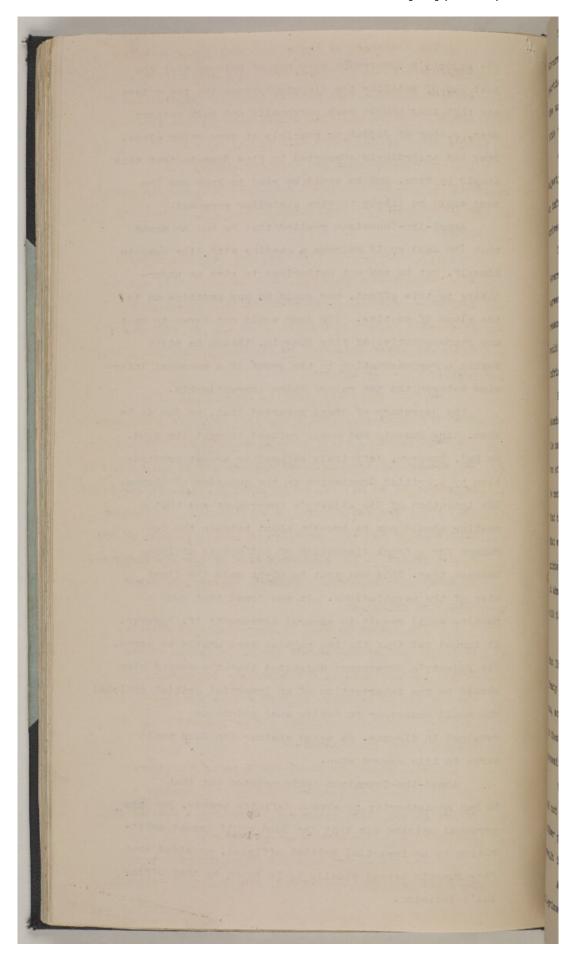
The Secretary of State remarked that, so far as he knew, King Hussein had never refused to meet Ibn Saud. He had, however, definitely refused to accept arbitration by a British Commission on the question of Khurma. The intention of His Majesty's Government was that a meeting should now be brought about between the two rulers for a frank discussion of all points at issue between them. This was what he might call the first step of the negotiations. It was hoped that such a meeting would result in general agreement; if, however, it turned out that the two parties were unable to agree, His Majesty's Government suggested that the second step should be the intervention of an impartial British official who would endeavour to decide such points as remained in dispute. He asked whether Ibn Saud would agree to this second step.

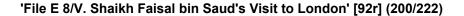
Ahmed-ibn-Thunaiyan again pointed out that he had no authority to give a definite answer, but his personal opinion was that Ibn Saud would accept arbitration by an impartial British official, provided that King Hussein agreed equally to be bound by that official's decision.

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The Secretary of State said that His Majesty's Government would of course make it a condition that both parties should accept without question the decision of the arbitrator, and that unless both parties agreed to this the proposal would fall to the ground.

Ahmad-ibn-Thunaiyan enquired whether His
Majesty's Government would guarantee both parties against
an infringement by the other party of the agreement
arrived at.

The Secretary of State replied that His Wajesty's Government could not undertake this until they saw the agreement, but that they would be glad to accept any reasonable agreement arrived at by the two parties, and would use their influence to restrain either party from infringing it in future.

Boundary Commission, which he might call the third step in the negotiations, would present no difficulty if the first two stages had been successfully negotiated, nor would it be necessary at all if, as he himself hoped, it was found that the first stage would be sufficient. He thought that what he had said provided an answer to most of the points raised in the Mission's note of the 1st November. At Ahmad-ibn-Thunaiyan's request, however, he dealt with them seriatim:

The answer to Mo.1 he expressed some surprise that Ibn Saud should demand the ratification of the Treaty entered into by His Majesty's Government. There was, so far as he knew, no term set to the Treaty, and in these circumstances there did not appear to be any necessity for its renewal.

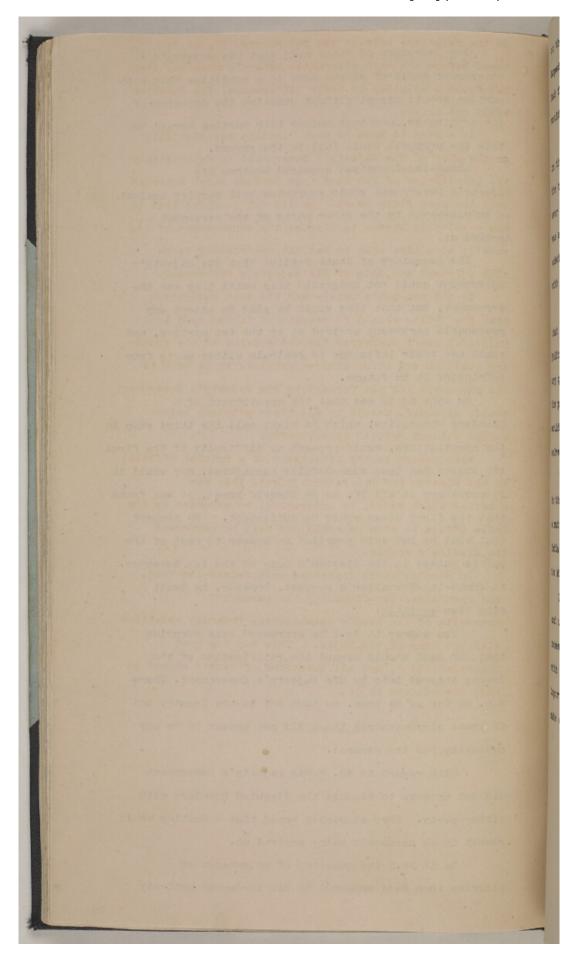
With regard to No. 2 His Majesty's Government did not propose to discuss the disputed boundary with either party. They sincerely hoped that a meeting would result in an agreement being arrived at.

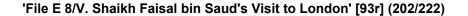
As to No.3 the question of an embargo on pilgrims from Nejd appeared to him to depend entirely

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on the relations between the two rulers. If, as he hoped before the next pilgrimage season commenced, they had found a solution to their differences, the question would not arise.



In answer to No.4 he must disclaim any liability on the part of His Najesty's Government to rehabilitate the territories of Ibn Saud from damages which extended over the past fifty years. He did not consider that it was a suitable moment to discuss the enhancement of his subsidy at a time when he was not on friendly terms with a friend and ally of His Majesty's Government.

He did not quite understand the last suggestion that Mr. Philby should be despatched to Ibn Saud as Political Agent empowered for the solving of the boundary question and other kindred problems in as much as the proposals now put forward by His Majesty's Government would, he hoped, result in all these problems being solved without British intervention.

With regard to the attachment of a British official to the Mission for its return journy, this was a matter which would, he understood, be arranged by the India Office to whom he would not fail to represent the Mission's wishes.

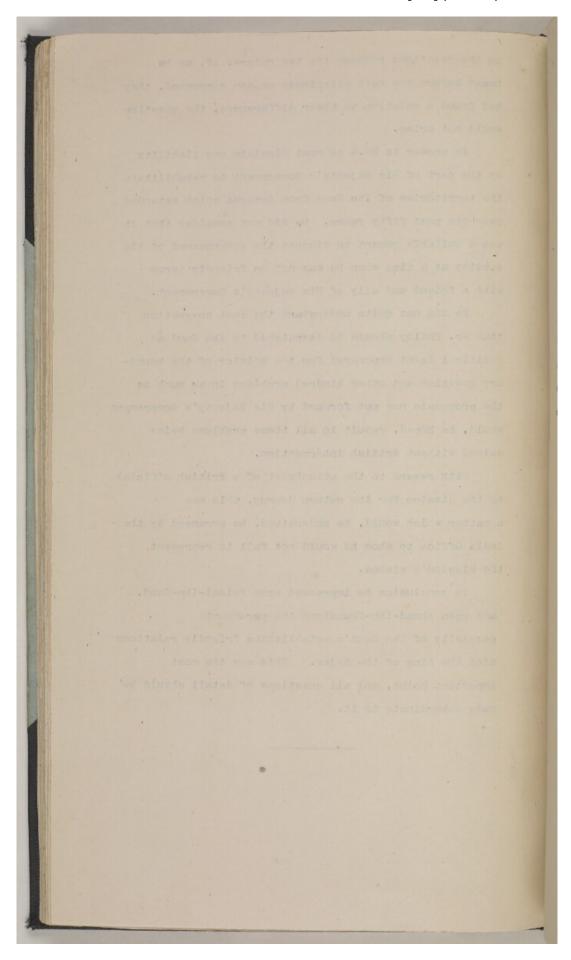
In conclusion he impressed upon Feisal-ibn-Saud, and upon Ahmad-ibn-Thunaiyan the paramount necessity of Ibn Saud's establishing friendly relations with the King of the Hejas. This was the most important point, and all questions of detail should be made subordinate to it.

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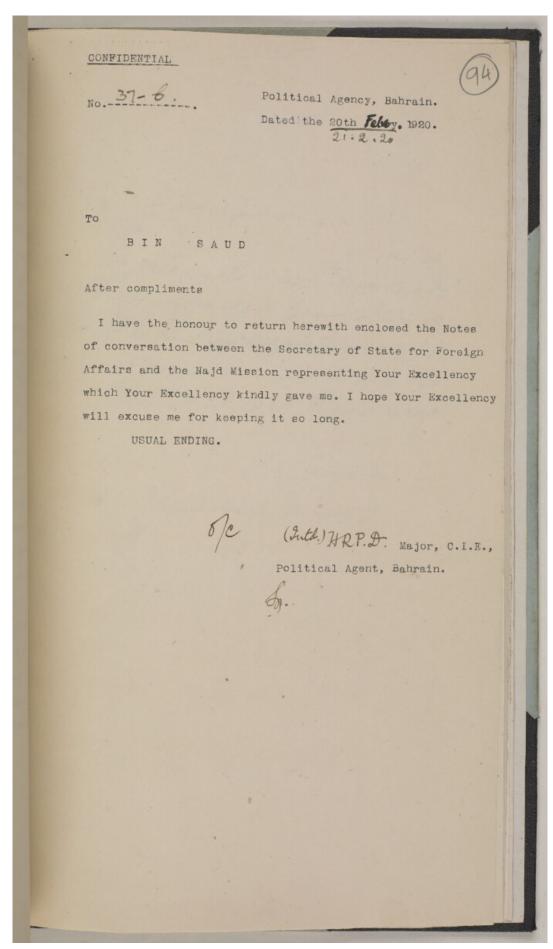


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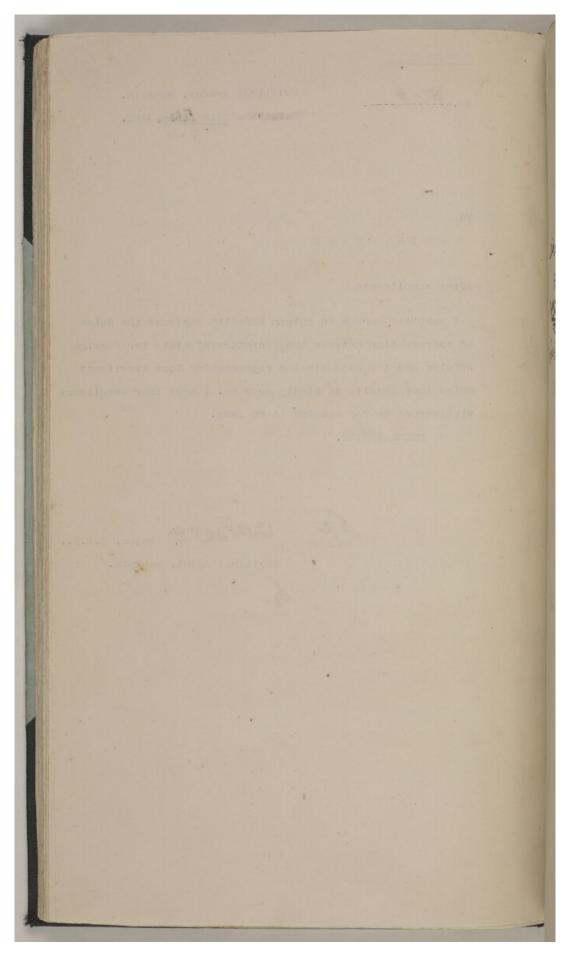


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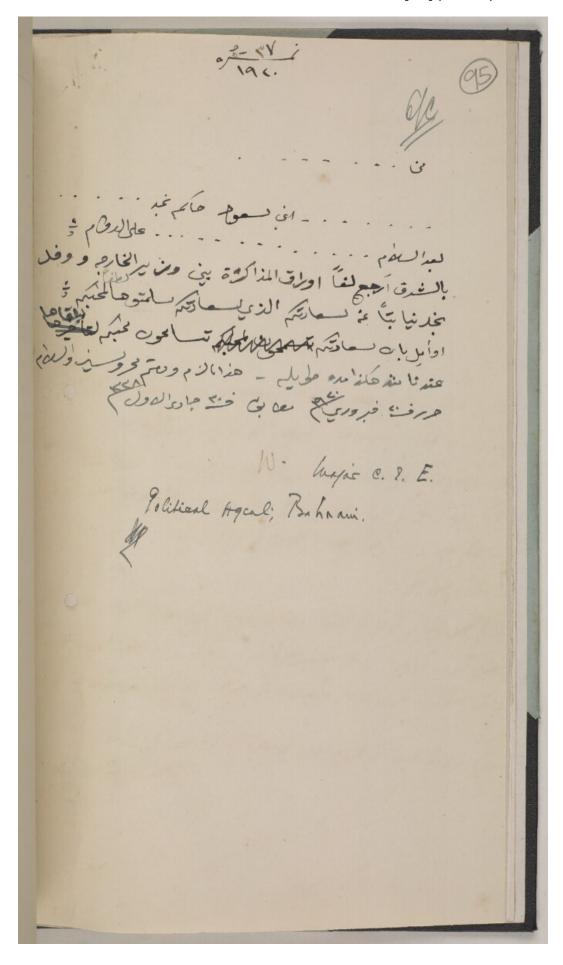


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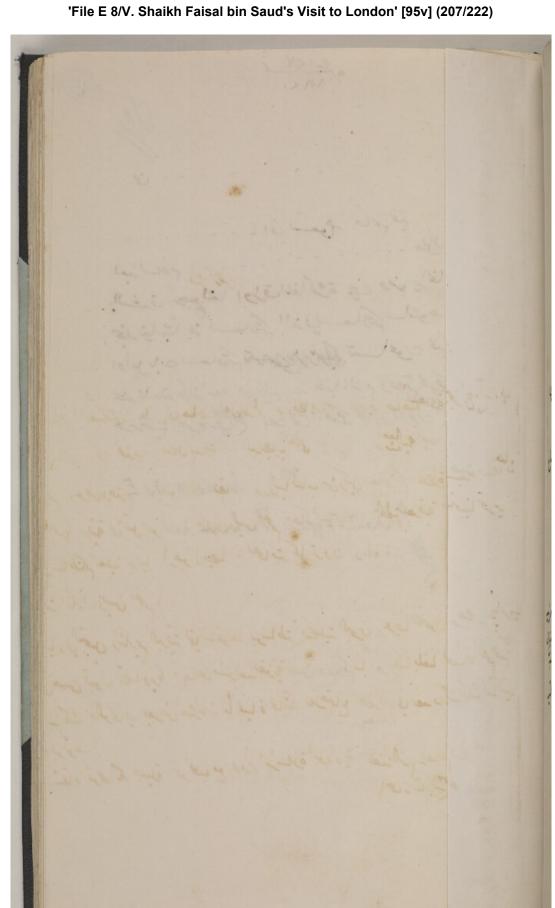


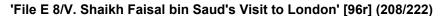


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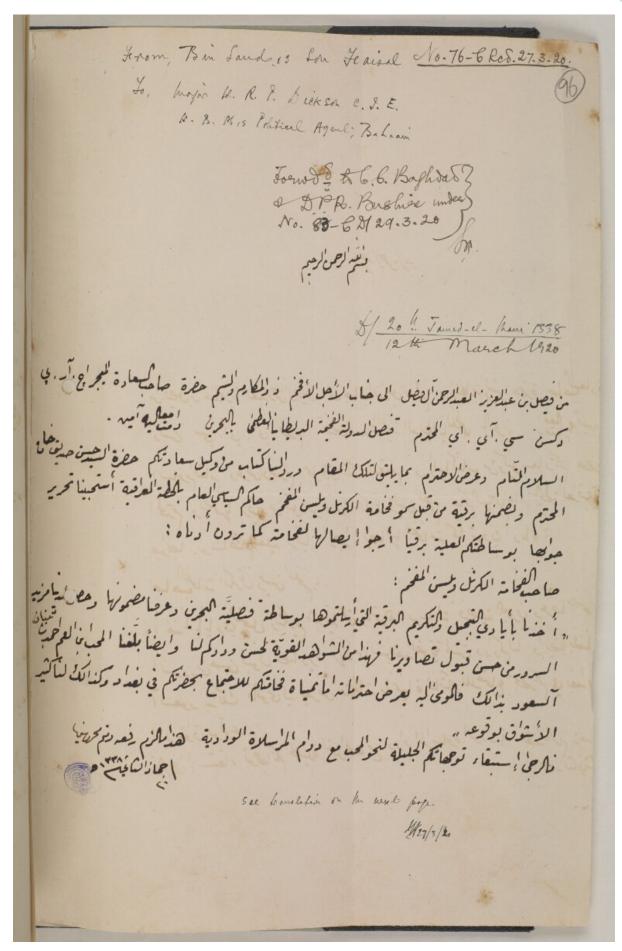






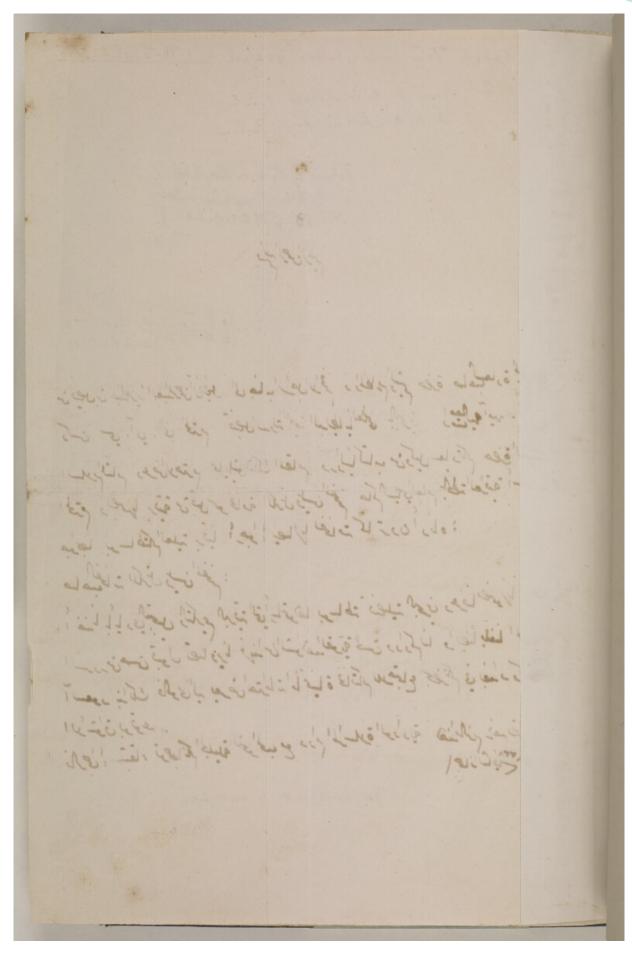






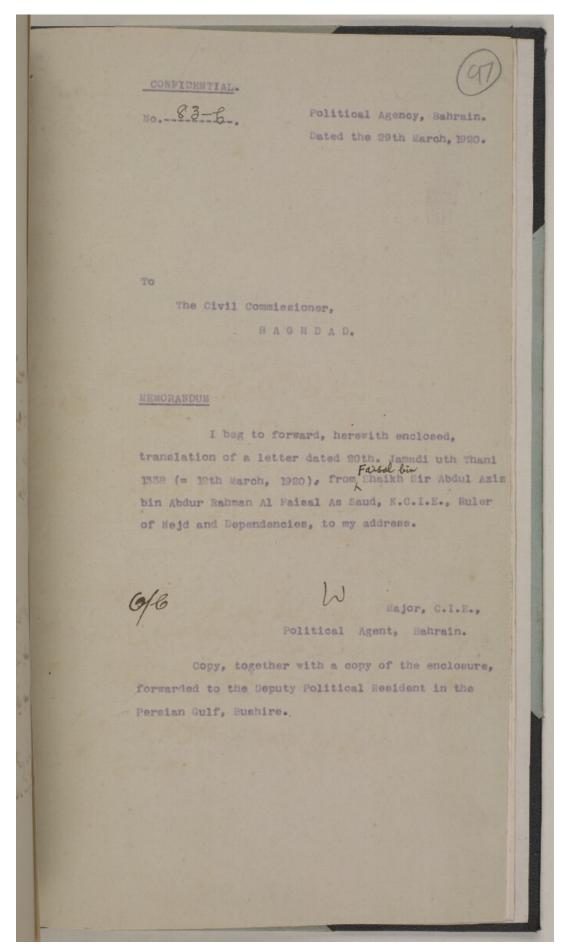






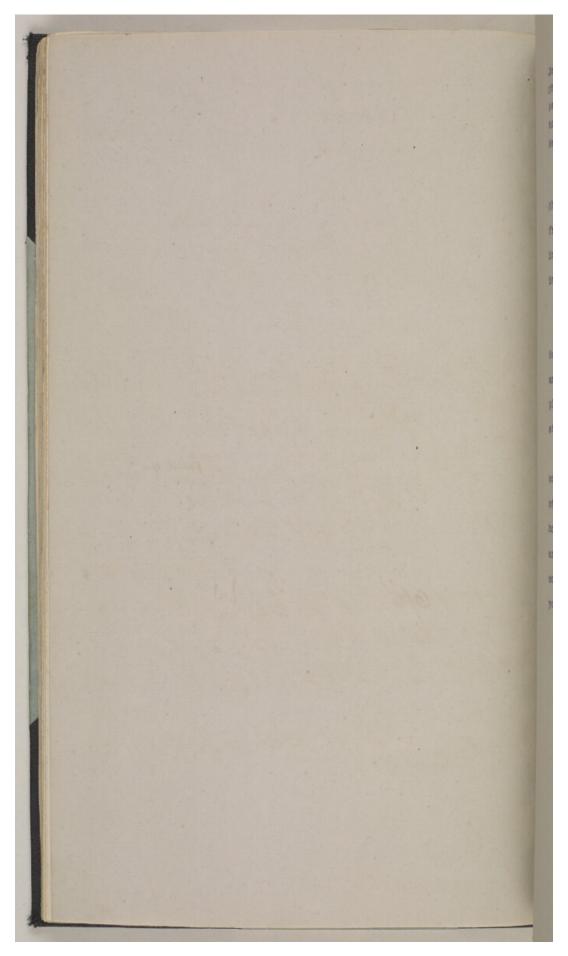


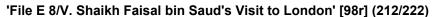
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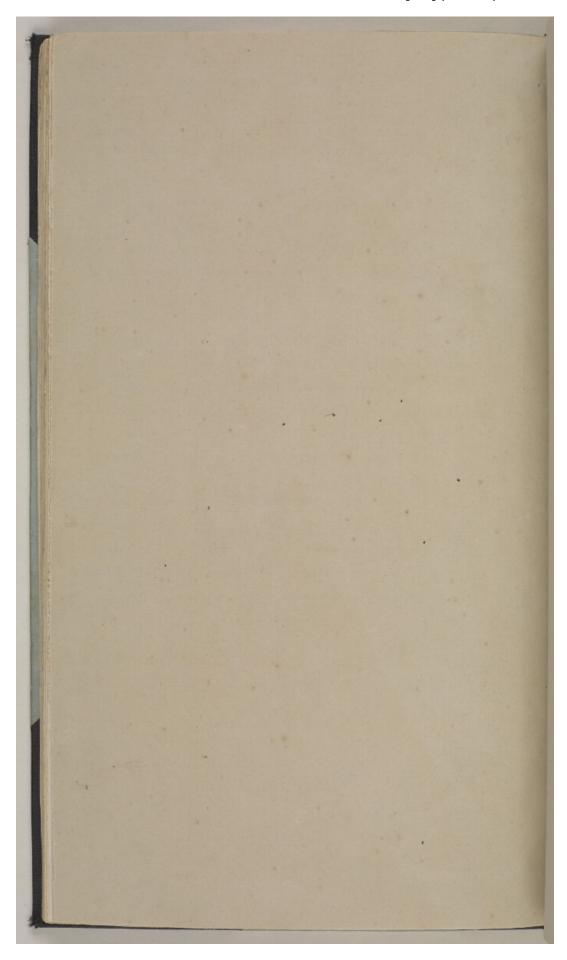




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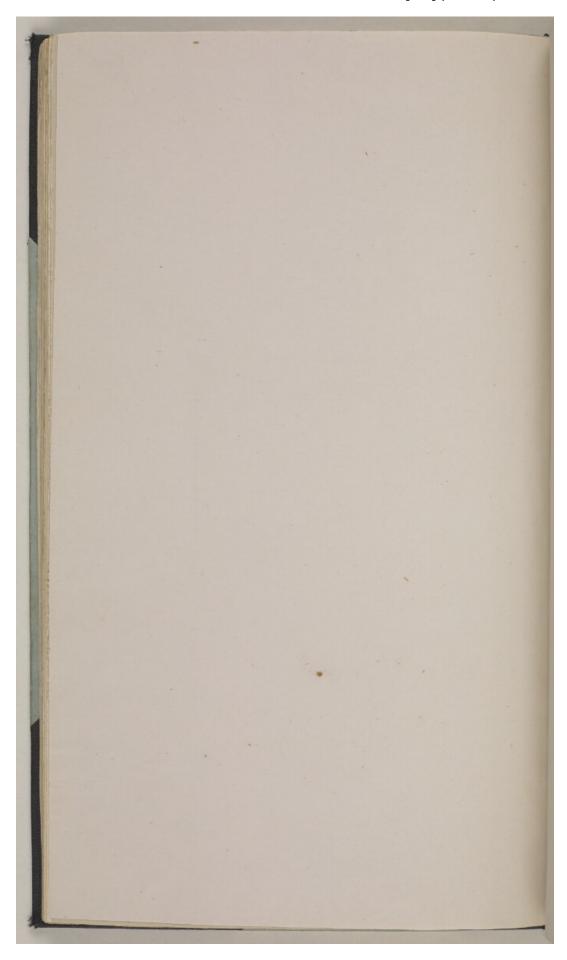


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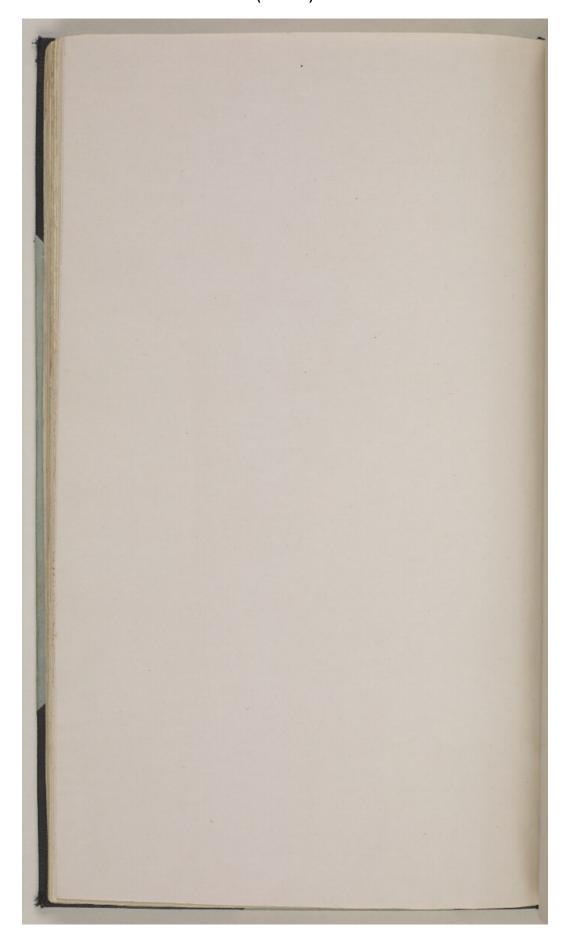


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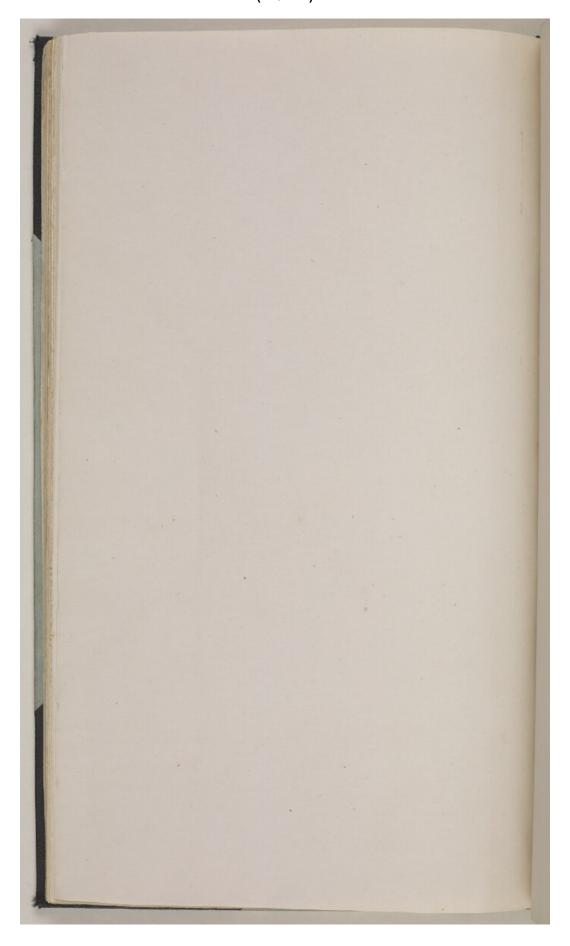


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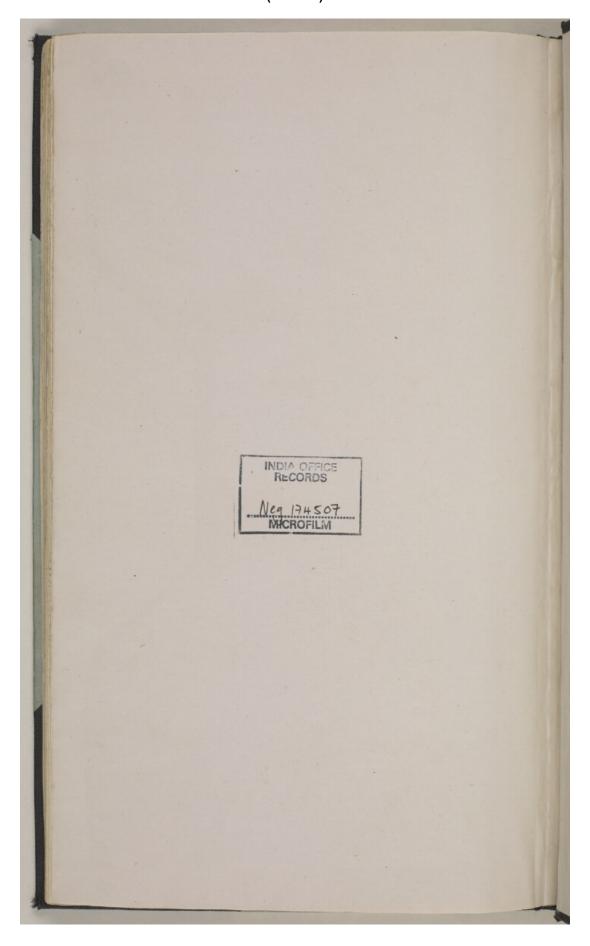


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